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REV. A. I. ROBB, D. D., Tak Hing Chau, China
Moderator of Synod, 1913, Winona Lake, Ind.

MINUTES

OF

The Pro re Nata Meeting of the Synod of the Reformed Presbyterian Church of North America,

May 21st, 1913

WESTMINSTER CHAPEL, WINONA LAKE, IND.,
May 21st, 1913, 7:30 p. m.

The Synod of the Reformed Presbyterian Church of North America met *pro re nata* session at Winona Lake, Ind., May 21, 1913, at 7:30 p. m., at the call of the Moderator, John S. Thompson, and was by him constituted with prayer.

The roll was called.

The Moderator stated the object of the meeting to be to change the time of the regular meeting of the Synod from Tuesday, May 27th, 1913, at 8:00 o'clock p. m., to Wednesday, May 21st, 1913, at 8:00 p. m. The Moderator was sustained in calling the meeting, and the time of the regular meeting was changed as indicated in the call.

The Synod then adjourned to meet this evening at 8:00 o'clock in Westminster Chapel, Winona, Ind.

The meeting was adjourned with prayer by D. B. Wilson.

JOHN S. THOMPSON, *Moderator.*
JOHN C. FRENCH, *Clerk.*

MINUTES

OF THE

SYNOD OF THE REFORMED PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH OF NORTH AMERICA

SESSION LXXXIV

WINONA LAKE, INDIANA,
May 21, 1913, 8:00 o'clock p. m.

The Synod of the Reformed Presbyterian Church of North America met pursuant to adjournment in Westminster Chapel, Winona Lake, Indiana, on the above date, and after a sermon by the Moderator, John S. Thompson, from Isaiah 52:1, "Awake, awake; put on thy strength, O Zion; put on thy beautiful garments, O Jerusalem, the holy city: for henceforth there shall no more come into thee the uncircumcised and the unclean," was by him constituted with prayer.

The Synod then adjourned to meet tomorrow morning at 9:00 o'clock.

Prayer by R. C. Wylie.

MORNING SESSION.

Same place, Thursday, May 22d, 9:00 o'clock a. m.

The Synod convened at the above time and place, and was constituted with prayer by the Moderator.

The roll was completed and is as follows:

ROLL.

COLORADO PRESBYTERY.

Denver	J. C. French	Donald C. McElhinney
Evans	W. J. McBurney	
Greeley	(b) Fred F. Reade	
La Junta	E. A. Crooks	
	Samuel Edgar	

ILLINOIS PRESBYTERY.

Bloomington			C. C. Faris
Bethel			R. J. Miller
Oakdale			W. G. Adams
Old Bethel		D. C. Mathews	
Princeton		M. S. McMillan	S. R. Davis
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St. Louis		G. A. Edgar	James Torrens
		D. S. Faris	

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Chicago		T. C. McKnight	
Hopkinton	(b)	George S. Coleman	J. H. McGlade
Lake Reno		Frank E. Allen	W. A. Ewing
Morning Sun		C. D. Trumbull	R. Elliott
Sharon		E. L. McKnight	John W. Hayes
Vernon		H. G. Patterson	
Washington		S. E. Greer	E. M. McConaughy
		Thomas Patton	

KANSAS PRESBYTERY.

Beulah		J. T. Mitchell	W. J. Crawford
Billings			J. W. Lucas
Cache Creek		W. W. Carithers	Robert Popoweeti
Clarinda		H. G. McConaughy	T. J. Edgar
Denison			A. M. Shaw
Eskridge		W. A. Aiken	R. S. Buck
Hebron		J. R. W. Stevenson	Ambrose Copeland
Kansas City		J. M. Wylie	
Long Branch		Paul Coleman	John Martin
Olathe			R. C. Redpath
Quinter		J. G. McElhinney	
Stafford		J. D. Edgar	
Sterling			W. A. Edgar
Superior			W. J. Elliott
Tabor		O. F. Thompson	
Winchester		D. H. Elliott	J. M. Adams
		J. Boggs Dodds	
		Isaiah Faris	
		R. A. Boyd	
		Melville Thompson	
		H. G. Foster	
	(a)	J. M. Johnston	

NEW BRUNSWICK AND NOVA SCOTIA PRESBYTERY.

Cornwallis		Thomas McFall	

NEW YORK PRESBYTERY.

First Boston		John C. Calderwood
Second Boston	J. M. Foster	
Bovina		T. D. Russell
Brooklyn	R. C. Montgomery	Evan W. Jones
Cambridge	R. C. Reed	
Coldenham		G. G. McLaury
Second New York	A. A. Samson	James Dow
Third New York	F. M. Foster	
Walton	A. A. Johnston	
White Lake	J. H. Pritchard	
	R. M. Sommerville	
	A. I. Robb	
	W. G. Robb	

OHIO PRESBYTERY.

Belle Center	S. R. Wallace	James Templeton
Bellefontaine	J. M. Faris	Samuel McLean
Cedar Lake	D. O. Jack	Henry Judson
Cedarville		W. R. Sterrett
Hetherton		John L. Boyd
Jonathan's Creek	R. W. Piper	
New Concord	John Coleman	
Southfield	W. M. Robb	J. M. Henning
United Miami	R. Hargrave	J. C. Peoples
Utica		W. H. Harvey
	R. A. Blair	
	(a) W. J. Sanderson	

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Los Angeles	P. J. McDonald	W. R. Marvin
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Santa Ana	G. N. Greer	
Seattle	(a) T. M. Slater	
Regina	J. G. Reed	Andrew Alexander
	J. S. Thompson	

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Second Philadelphia	J. C. McFeeters	John Peoples
Third Philadelphia	F. M. Wilson	Daniel Adams

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Allegheny	W. J. Coleman	W. R. Porter
Bear Run and Mahoning	E. M. Elsey	H. A. McIsaac
First Beaver Falls		William Pearce
Brookland	P. P. Boyd	
Central Allegheny	John Yates	

College Hill	R. H. Martin	J. D. McAnlis
E. E. Pittsburg	M. M. Pearce	R. A. M. Steele
Geneva	J. C. Slater	C. N. Pullinger
McKeesport and Monongahela	James McCune	
Mercer	W. T. K. Thompson	
Miller's Run	S. G. Conner	
New Alexandria	S. M. Morrow	S. M. Steele
New Castle	S. J. Johnston	John Adams
Pine Creek	A. Kilpatrick	
Parnassus	Robert Park	
Pittsburg	T. H. Acheson	Alex. McBride
Slippery Rock	W. O. Ferguson	J. J. Kennedy
Wilkinsburg	R. J. G. McKnight	
Youngstown		J. W. Marshall
	J. M. Coleman	
	(a) C. A. Dodds	
	(a) H. H. George	
	(a) W. H. George	
	W. P. Johnston	
	D. C. Martin	
	A. J. McFarland, Sr.	
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	J. Renwick Wylie	
	R. C. Wylie	
	W. J. McKnight	

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Almonte	G. M. Robb	R. S. Bowes
Lochiel	J. R. Latimer	
Syracuse	A. A. Wylie	
York	J. B. Gilmore	
	W. C. McClurkin	
	W. McFarland	

Ministers Absent.—R. C. Allen, T. J. Allen, W. C. Allen, J. M. Armour, J. A. Black, I. A. Blackwood, J. W. F. Carlisle, Robert Clark, D. H. Coulter, S. J. Crowe, J. W. Dill, R. J. Dodds, D. B. Elsey, E. G. Elsey, D. C. Faris, J. C. K. Faris, E. J. Feuersohn, W. S. Fulton, M. A. Gault, Julius Kempf, George Kennedy, J. M. Littlejohn, G. R. McBurney, Walter McCarrol, T. A. McElwain, A. J. McFarland, Jr., J. S. McGaw, R. J. McIsaac, H. B. McMillan, J. S. Martin, Louis Meyer, E. C. Mitchell, J. L. Pinkerton, J. K. Robb, T. A. Rusk, Elmer Russell, S. G. Shaw, T. C. Sproull, G. R. Steele, J. S. Stewart, R. D. Taggart, J. R. Thompson, J. T. Wilson, R. E. Willson, J. Ralston Wylie.—45.

Congregations not represented.—Church Hill, Hickory Grove, Rehoboth, Topeka, Wahoo, St. John's, Barnesville, Montclair, 1st Newburg, 2d Newburg, Barnet, Ryegate, West Hebron, Cincinnati, Detroit, Fairgrove, Content, Adamsville and Middletown, Clarksburg, Little Beaver, Oil Creek, 1st Philadelphia, Lisbon.—23.

(a)—Not present at first roll call.

(b)—Ordained since last meeting.

A. I. Robb was chosen Moderator. John C. French was re-elected Clerk, and George A. Edgar was re-elected Assistant Clerk.

The informal action of the Court last night, in granting permission to Presbyteries to sit during the sessions of the Court, was endorsed.

The Committee on Order of Business reported. The report was adopted. The hours for the sessions of the Court were fixed at from 9 to 12 a. m. and 2 to 5 p. m. The first half hour of the morning session to be spent in devotional exercises. The report is as follows:

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON ORDER OF BUSINESS.

Wednesday, 8:00 p. m.—Sermon by the retiring Moderator; Constitution of Court.

Thursday, 9:00 a. m.—Election of Officers; Report of Committee on Order of Business; of Committee on Devotional Exercise; of Committee on Unfinished Business; of Board of Church Erection; of Board of Sustentation; of Board of Control.

2:00 p. m.—Report of Board of Foreign Missions; of Central Board of Missions; of Board of Jewish Missions; of Superintendents of Theological Seminary; of Committee on State of Religion.

7.45 p. m.—Conference on Witness Bearing.

Friday, 9:00 a. m.—Report of Committee on Evangelistic Work; of Committee on Witness Bearing; of Covenanter Members of National Reform Executive Committee; of Synod's Financial Agent for National Reform; of Stated Clerk.

2:00 p. m.—Report of Synod's Board of Trustees; of Corporators of Geneva College; of Board of Trustees of Geneva College; of Presbyteries; of Committee on Signs of the Times.

7:45 p. m.—Conference on Foreign Missions.

Saturday, 9:00 a. m.—Report of Domestic Mission Conference; of Committee on Systematic Beneficence; of Committee on Temperance; of Committee on the Sabbath; of Committee on National Reform.

Monday, 9:00 a. m.—Report of Committee on Foreign Missions;

of Committee on Home Missions; of Committee on Finance; of Committee on Discipline; of Committee on Church Erection.

2:00 p. m.—Report of Committee on Travelling Fund;of Committee on Records of Presbyteries; of Committee on Supplies; of Committee on Theological Seminary and Geneva College.

7:45 p. m.—Business Session.

Tuesday, 9:00 a. m.—Report of Committee on Young People's Societies; of Committee on Sabbath Schools; of Committee on Secret Societies; of Committee on Psalmody; of Committee on Foreign Correspondence.

Signed, S. E. Greer,
R. W. Piper,
G. A. Calderwood,
S. F. Dill.

The Committee on Devotional Exercises reported. The report was adopted and is as follows:

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON DEVOTIONAL EXERCISES.

Your Committee on Devotional Exercises would respectfully report:

We recommend that the first half hour in the morning, after roll call, be used for devotional exercises; that these exercises be largely devotional, rather than didactic; and that all who take part shall be very brief so that as many as possible of the members of Synod shall be engaged.

We recommend also the following program:

Thursday.—"Our Officers and Committees." Prayer that they may be wisely selected; that they may be guided by the Holy Spirit in the performance of their work; that they may be specially fitted for their particular duties; and that they may prove to be most helpful agencies for the consideration and direction of the business of Synod. Heb. 13:17-20; 1 Chron. 28:20, 21.

Leader—J. B. Gilmore.

Friday.—"Our Meetings." Prayer that the delegates may come together with a feeling of deep responsibility for the work of the Master; that they may be prompt in attendance at every meeting; may be wise, energetic, and efficient in the transaction of business; that our meetings may be characterized by a spirit of patience and brotherly love; that they may be free from unnecessary discussion; that our deliberation, conference, and decisions shall result in great benefit to the work of the church and of the Kingdom of God; and that all here assembled may return in safety to their homes, prepared to impart new information and zeal to their respective congregations. Acts 15:1-6; Acts 1:12-14.

Leader—Dr. J. M. Balph.

Saturday.—"Our Congregations." That they may be loyal to the Lord Jesus Christ; that pastors and members may be earnest and efficient in proclaiming the truth of God and in testifying against evil; that together they may win many sinners to Christ; that our people may grow in spirituality and power; that our youth may be interested and held; that we may increase in numbers; and that our congregations shall be a means of great blessing to their particular communities and to the world. 1 Cor. 12: 12-21; 1 Thess. 5:12-22. Leader—P. J. McDonald.

Monday.—"Our Finances." That our people shall more fully comprehend that money represents and transmits power; that we all may keep in mind its instrumentality in extending the Kingdom of Christ; that all our members shall come to give systematically and to give at least one-tenth of their net income; and that only wise and careful business methods may be used in handling the Lord's funds. 2 Cor. 9:6-15; Ex. 35: 21-29.

Leader—F. M. Foster.

Tuesday.—"Our Missionary Work." That our missions already established at home and abroad may be enlarged; that the seed sown may continue to be blessed; that new doors be opened; that workers in the field be encouraged; that new workers be sent out; that changing conditions in foreign lands shall work out to the furtherance of the Gospel; that China shall be won for Christ, and that the Church shall become more fully awake to the needs and opportunities of the present hour everywhere. Matt. 9:37, 38; John 4:33-38. Leader—Samuel Edgar.

Wednesday,—"Our Reform Work." That we may be able to testify clearly and bravely for the truth of Christ's Kingship, and all that it involves; that the many flagrant public evils shall be destroyed; that our American people shall apprehend more plainly the relation of the Lord Jesus Christ to the Civil sphere: and that our fundamental law may be so amended as to furnish an undeniable legal basis for the protection of present Christian features in our government, and for the right and permanent settlement of all moral issues in our national life. Ps. 72:1-11; Jer. 1:4-10.

Leader—J. M. Wylie.
T. H. Acheson,
Findley M. Wilson,
J. Boggs Dodds,
Committee.

D. C. Matthews, Paul Coleman, F. F. Reade, A. A. Johnston, D. H. Elliott and W. M. Robb were chosen to report the proceedings of the Synod for the press.

The Retiring Moderator's sermon was requested for publication.

D. C. McElhinney was appointed to care for Synod's mail.

Two hundred copies of the reports of the Committee on Order of Business and Devotional Exercises were ordered printed for the use of the members of Synod.

Frank D. Frazer was appointed the Moderator's alternate to preach the opening sermon at next meeting of Synod.

The Committee on Unfinished Business reported. The report was received, and taken up item by item for adoption.

Items Nos. 1 and 2, attended to.

Item No. 3 laid on the table for the present.

Item No. 4 laid on the table until after recess.

Papers were called for.

Papers Nos. 1, 2, 3 were communications from the Eastern, Southern and Northern Presbyteries of the Reformed Presbyterian Church of Ireland, commending the labors of W. J. McKnight. These were read and referred to the Committee on Foreign Correspondence.

The last half hour of the first session was spent in devotional exercises, led by J. B. Gilmore.

Synod then took recess until 2:00 o'clock. Prayer by W. R. Sterrett.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

Same place, 2:00 p. m. Synod reconvened at the above hour, and was led in prayer by R. J. G. McKnight. The roll was called. The minutes of the pro re nata session and those of the evening session of Wednesday, and the morning session of Thursday, were read, corrected and approved.

The clerks of Philadelphia and New York Presbyteries announced the death of Dr. T. P. Stevenson and Rev. W. M. George.

The naming of committees to prepare a minute on the death of these brethren was referred to the Committee on Nominations.

Item No. 4 of the report of the Committee on Unfinished Business, was taken from the table. The resolution was adopted, with the following amendment: And that students be urged, as far as may be consistent with their assigned work in the classroom, to seek preparation for seeking the unsaved by actual mission training as it may be gained by speaking in factories,

prayer-meeting and on the street; speaking in missions and Sabbath Schools and personal work in the winning of men.

The report of the Committee on Unfinished Business was laid on the table for the present.

The Board of Church Erection reported. The report was accepted and referred to Committees on Finance, Nominations, Sustentation and Church Erection.

The Board of Control reported. The report was received and referred to the Committees on Finance and Nominations.

The Committee on Nominations was instructed to appoint a committee, with whom G. A. Edgar could confer, to revise the rules governing the distribution of funds at the disposal of the Board of Control.

The Board of Foreign Missions reported. The report was received and referrred to the Committees on Foreign Missions, Finance, and Nominations.

The plan of work for China was also referred to the Committee on Foreign Missions.

A letter from Chue Hon Shaang, one of the evangelists of our mission in China, was read and referred to the Committee on Foreign Missions.

The following resolution was offered by D. B. Willson:

Resolved, That the Treasurer of Synod be authorized to expend the balance of the South Carolina Cemetery Lot Fund in needed work to improve the lot.

This resolution was referred to the Committee on Finance.

The Board of Jewish Missions reported. The report was received and referred to the Committees on Home Missions, Finance, and Nominations.

The Board of Superintendents of the Theological Seminary reported. The report was received and referred to the Committees on Theological Seminary and Geneva College, Nominations, and Finance.

The report of the Committee on Unfinished Business was taken from the table.

Item No. 5. The report was laid on the table to entertain the following substitute: Resolved, That the action of the Synod of 1889, with respect to voting on amendments be rescinded. This resolution was referred to a special committee to be appointed by the Committee on Nominations.

Item No. 6. The committee reported. The report was adopted and is as follows:

REPORT ON CHANGE OF LOCATION OF THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY.

To the Synod of the Reformed Presbyterian Church to meet at Winona Lake, Ind., May 21, 1913:

Your committee appointed to investigate the feasibility of the proposed change of location of the Seminary, would respectfully report: The committee began its work by holding a public hearing in the Seminary building to which all those who were known to be interested in the matter of the proposed change were invited. The students of the Seminary, the professors, the representatives of the Board of the Aged People's Home and others were present and were heard. The considerations which seemed to favor the change were as follows:

1. The Seminary building.—This building was purchased in 1873, and it is interesting to read in the report of the committee by which it was purchased their assurance that it was a thoroughly modern building. No doubt it was a modern building then; but that was forty years ago, and it is not modern today. It is a good building with high ceilings, but it is poorly heated and badly ventilated. The present recitation room faces on North Avenue where there is so much noise that the windows have to be closed during recitation hours. Better accommodations for recitation rooms are greatly needed.

2. Seminary life.—It was urged by the students that in such a building as that formerly occupied by the Aged People's Home, where the students could live under one roof, that a better, pleasanter and more helpful student life might be enjoyed. At present the students make their own arragements for living accommodations, securing rooms and boarding wherever they can. This prevents them from having much seminary life outside of recitation hours, and more fellowship would be experienced in a common dormitory.

3. Health.—It is urged that the new location would be much more healthful than the present one. In former years the health of the students was properly a matter of grave concern, for there was frequent illness in the seminary, and some deaths occurred, as will be sadly remembered. The health of the students in recent years has been good however, and there is now probably no special reason for making the change on that account. The higher altitude is doubtless more healthful, but does not make a change imperative.

Opposed to the change there is just one large difficulty. It would

involve a financial sacrifice which the church is not able to meet at this present time. In the financial consideration there are several items: 1.—The difficulty of selling the present building to advantage. The building was purchased at a cost of $25,000, to which is to be added $5,000 which was spent on remodeling the building, making an investment there of about $30,000. Real estate at present is not in demand in that part of the city, and inquiry would lead men competent to judge to believe that the building could not now be sold for more than one-half that amount. The proposed building on the hill has not been offered for less than that, and so there would be no substantial increase in the endowment to meet the increased expense in conducting the seminary. 2.—The present seminary building brings an income of $800 per year with janitor service, which would be sacrified in selling the building. 3.—The expense of properly remodeling the new building would be considerable. 4.—The establishment of a dormitory, necessitating the employment of help, would be an increased expense. This financial consideration seemed to the committee to be prohibitive. We did not see any way to meet the increased expense which the change would necessitate.

There were some other considerations not favorable to the change which were presented; but they did not seem to the committee to be important, and we would favor the change except for the financial barrier.

The committee would recommend:

1.—That Synod's Board of Trustees be authorized to install a new heating and ventilating system in the rooms occupied by the seminary. 2.—That the Seminary Faculty, together with Synod's Board of Trustees be directed to consider the advisability of occupying other rooms in the building, or of altering the ones occupied at present, so that more convenience may be secured; and that any expense connected with this be authorized by Synod. 3.—That the Faculty of the Seminary, together with the students be recommended to make an effort to secure a suitable rooming place where the students can have as nearly as possible the advantages of a common dormitory. Signed, M. M. Pearce,
R. J. G. McKnight,
J. S. Tibby,
G. S. McKee,
J. C. Calderwood,
T. S. Trumbull.

Item No. 7. Attended to.

Item No. 8. Committee not ready to report.

Item No. 9. The Committee reported. The report was adopted, and is as follows:

REPORT OF SPECIAL COMMITTEE ON MINIMUM REQUIREMENTS IN GREEK STUDY.

The undersigned, a special committee "on minimum requirements in Greek as a guide to Presbyteries in receiving candidates for the ministry," respectfully report:

The churches of the Reformation have required in their ministry ability to handle the Scriptures in the original languages. Many of the colleges in this land owe their origin to this requirement of the Protestant churches, and preparatory training in Greek was thus obtained in a college course before entering on the study of theology. The disuse of Greek as a required study in many of the institutions of our day has brought up the question submitted to us. We note with satisfaction a growing demand that this language shall be again placed among the required branches in the curriculum.

In noting a minimum for candidates for the ministry we trust that making such a provision will be only necessary for a time, and that we shall continue to receive young men familiar with classical learning.

We recommend that Presbyteries be advised to require as a minimum in the knowledge of Greek that the applicant shall have given at least one full year of his course of study to this language, and that he shall be able to read the New Testament in the original, and possess the knowledge of the elements of the grammar that is set forth in such a book as the Harper-Weidner Method and Manual.

Respectfully submitted,

D. B. Willson,
R. C. Wylie,
Committee.

Item No. 10. Committee not ready to report.

Item No. 11. Committee not ready to report.

Item No. 12. Attended to.

Item No. 13. Postponed until next year.

Item No. 14. The Committee reported. The report was adopted and is as follows:

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON BIBLE-READING FOLDER.

Your committee would respectfully report:

It is pleasant to observe that the simple plan presented in these Bible-reading folders is meeting with acceptance among so many of our people. We have reason to believe that this movement is being blessed of God to increase the frequency and regularity of Bible reading among our people. Folders have been ordered since our last meeting for fifty-seven of our congregations.

The same plan has been followed as before, consecutive readings from the Old Testament for the morning, and consecutive readings from the New Testament for the evening, except that for Saturday the Sabbath School lesson and Young People's topic are inserted.

A folder was prepared for the half year, July to December, 1912, and a folder for all of the year 1913. This latter covers the ground for the morning readings from the first chapter of Daniel through the remainder of the Old Testament and from the first of Genesis to the twentieth chapter of Numbers; and for the evening readings from the first chapter of Acts through the New Testament and from the beginning of Matthew to the seventeenth chapter of Luke. Two thousand copies were printed for the 1913 folder, and the supply is now exhausted.

In the discussion of the prayer meeting topic in a recent number of the Christian Nation, Rev. E. L. McKnight used the following encouraging words: "The Bible Reading folders, prepared by Synod's Committee, have done much to promote the daily reading of the Word of God. They furnish a method, they offer an incentive, they impose a sort of covenant obligation upon the person who would use them, that he be faithful in reading his Bible. We would recommend them most heartily to every member of the church and especially to the young. Youth is the best time in which to begin to form this splendid habit of reading a portion of God's Word every morning and evening." The expense of printing the folders during the past year was $45.50. The receipts were $76.80.

T. H. Acheson,
John Yates,
Will R. Porter,
Committee.

In connection with this report the following resolution was adopted:

Resolved, That Synod suggests to the Committee on Bible Reading Folders, the propriety of formulating a list of questions reviewing the Bible for each quarter; these to be used in quarterly or semi-annaul meetings of the Young People's Societies or Bible reading circles, held for the purpose of fostering greater interest in, and conserving the benefits of such reading.

Item No. 15. The Committee reported. The report was adopted and is as follows:

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON CATECHISM AND MANUAL OF DOCTRINE.

Your Committee on Reformed Presbyterian Catechism and Manual of Doctrine would respectfully report that in accordance

with instructions of last Synod the work of the Committee has been revised and a second edition of one thousand copies has been published in convenient form and placed in the hands of J. S. Tibby for sale at the price of ten cents per copy. We ask that the committee be discharged. Respectfully submitted,

GEO. A. EDGAR,
Chairman.

The hour for adjournment having arrived, Synod adjourned to meet tomorrow morning at 9:00 o'clock.

Prayer by F. M. Foster.

MORNING SESSION.

Same place, Friday, May 23, 9:00 o'clock a. m.

Synod convened at the above hour and was constituted with prayer by the Moderator. The roll was called. The following ministerial members appeared and for the first time took their seats as members of the court: H. H. George, W. H. George, W. J. Sanderson, S. F. Kingston, T. M. Slater, J. M. Johnston, and C. A. Dodds.

R. A. M. Steele and S. A. S. Metheny were chosen precentors for the Synod. One half hour was spent in devotional exercises led by J. M. Balph.

Minutes of Tuesday afternoon were read, corrected and approved.

Rev. W. B. Stoddard, the representative of the National Christian Association, was given the courtesies of the floor, and ten minutes given to him in which to address the Synod in connection with the report of the Committee on Secret Societies.

The action of the former Moderator and Clerk, in giving credentials to S. G. Shaw to the Alliance of Reformed Churches, was endorsed.

The Moderator announced the following committees:

COMMITTEES.

HOME MISSIONS.—D. H. Elliott, R. H. Martin, C. F. Thomson, E. M. McConaughy, G. G. McLaury.

NATIONAL REFORM.—M. M. Pearce, S. G. Conner. G. N. Greer, D. C. McElhinney, W. A. Ewing.

FINANCE.— D. C. Matthews, R. A. Blair, R. C. Reed, James Torrens, John W. Hayes.

Foreign Correspondence.—Paul Coleman, Chairman, A. A. Samson, W. M. Robb, J. C. Calderwood, W. R. Marvin.

Theological Seminaryand Geneva College.—J. S. Thompson, J. C. McFeeters, R. C. Montgomery, R. A. M. Steele, W. J. Elliott.

Traveling Fund.—John Coleman and Financial Agents of Presbyteries.

Nominations.—F. M. Wilson, W. W. Carithers, J. B. Gilmore, W. R. Sterrett, W. R. Porter.

Supplies.—J. D. Edgar, A. A. Wylie, S. J. Johnston, John Adams, Ambrose Copeland.

Place of Meeting.—F. M. Foster, E. L. McKnight, P. J. McDonald, J. H. McGlade, Alex McBride.

Sustentation and Church Erection.—J. C. Slater, J. Boggs Dodds, Thomas McFall, Daniel Adams, J. W. Lucas.

Discipline.—R. J. G. McKnight, Chairman; E. A. Crooks, R. Hargrave, R. S. Bowes, J. D. McAnlis.

Foreign Missions.—J. M. Wylie, H. G. Foster, W. J. Coleman, W. A. Edgar, E. W. Jones.

Records of Presbyteries.—
Iowa—Samuel Edgar, G. M. Robb, Henry Judson.
Ohio—M. S. McMillan, A. A. Johnston, Andrew Alexander.
Pacific Coast—T. C. Sproull, T. C. McKnight, R. S. Buck.
Philadelphia—F. E. Allen, H. G. McConaughy, R. C. Redpath.
Colorado—J. G. Reed, W. G. Robb, John Peoples.
Kansas—A. J. McFarland, Sr., W. C. McClurkin, James Dow.
Illinois—J. M. Foster, S. M. Morrow, James Templeton.
Pittsburg—J. T. Mitchell, George Coleman, A. M. Shaw.
New York—F. D. Frazer, E. M. Elsey, J. L. Boyd.
N. B. and N. S.—H. G. Patterson, Robert Park, R. J. Miller.
Rochester—W. T. K. Thompson, W. A. Aikin, S. R. Davis.

Papers were called for.

Paper No. 4. Minutes of the Syrian Commission. These minutes were read and referred to the Committee on Foreign Missions.

Paper No. 5. Minutes of the Commission of the Reformed Presbyterian Church in China. These minutes were read and referred to the Committee on Foreign Missions.

Paper No. 6. A memorial from C. A. Dodds, concerning the second term of communion. Referred to Committee on Discipline.

Paper No. 7. Report of the Reformed Presbyterian Woman's Association. Referred to Committee on Finance.

Paper No. 8. Report of the Treasurer of the Reformed Presbyterian Woman's Association. Referred to the Committee on Finance.

Paper No. 9. A call moderated in the First Beaver Falls Congregation, on J. B. Tweed. Referred to Committee on Discipline.

Paper No. 10. Report of S. A. S. Metheny, Treasurer. Referred to Committee on Finance.

Paper No. 11. Report of the Executive Commission of the Alliance of Reformed churches, holding the Presbyterian system, Western Section, 1912-1913. Action on this paper was postponed for the present.

Paper No. 12. Communication from the San Francisco Convention League. Referred to Committee on Place of Meeting.

Paper No. 13. Communication from the Citizen's Business League of Milwaukee. Referred to Committee on Place of Meeting.

Paper No. 14. Communication from the Synod of the Christian Reformed Church. Referred to Committee on National Reform.

Paper No. 15. Communication from the Continuation Committee of the World's Missionary Conference. The Clerk was directed to acknowledge the receipt of this communication.

The Permanent Committee on Evangelistic Work reported. The report was received and taken up item by item for adoption.

Item No. 1. Adopted.

Item No. 2. Adopted.

Item No. 3. Referred to the Committee on Finance.

Item No. 4. Referred to the Committee on Nominations.

Thursday evening of the next meeting of Synod was assigned to the Evangelistic Committee for conference.

The report was then adopted, and is as follows:

REPORT OF THE PERMANENT COMMITTEE ON EVANGELISTIC WORK.

To the Synod of the Reformed Presbyterian Church:—

Your permanent Committee on Evangelistic Work would respectfully report: During the past year the work has been carried on largely through the service of the Home Mission Secretary, Rev. J. S. Thompson. In appointing him to that office the instruc-

tion of Synod was that in addition to his work in the home mission field he should devote what time he could to evangelistic work. On that account the committee asked him to arrange to devote the time of the three months of March, April and May to this work. This Mr. Thompson arranged to do. Engagements for a series of services lasting from five days to two weeks were made at the following places: Olathe, Evans, Greeley, La Junta, Hebron, Tabor, Clarinda, Blanchard, St. Louis and the Indian Mission. These engagements occupied the whole of these three months up to the present time. The committee has taken care to secure reports from all of these meetings. Without exception they were regarded as very valuable, both in bringing the message of the Gospel to the unsaved, and in quickening the spiritual life and evangelistic zeal of the members.

Your committee feels that such a series of meetings, usually culminating in a communion, is exceedingly valuable. Neither is the holding of them so difficult as is sometimes supposed. There are many sessions and pastors who hold back because they fear there will be no response, and the meetings will not be sufficiently well attended to justify holding them. Evangelistic preaching is the most direct presentation of the Gospel message, and increasing experience, as well as scriptural authority leads us to believe that it is "the power of God unto salvation," and that its emphasis in such meetings will almost invariably secure a larger response than had been expected.

An evangelistic church, however, does not find in special meetings the only expression of its evangelistic spirit. There are some congregations which have not found it advisable to hold such services which have nevertheless been active in direct personal evangelistic effort. In some congregations classes for study and training in personal work have been conducted. This is exceedingly valuable, and no generation of young people ought to be allowed to grow up in any congregation without being trained for this work. If we can develop a church in which each member shall be trained for personal work the particular method by which the church shall do its work will take care of itself. The work will certainly be accomplished. So we feel that our work is not so much to recommend a method, as it is to urge a message.

Two conferences have been held during the past year under the direction of the committee. One was in the Allegheny church on Monday, January 6th, 1913, and the other, largely a repetition of the first, in the New Castle church on Monday, May 12th, 1913. These conferences dealt with the general theme of personal piety and personal work. They were successful conferences and awakened much interest.

Altogether the committee feels that the responsibility of the

saved for the unsaved is being emphasized in the church more year by year, and that more is being done to meet the responsibility which ever rests upon us; but yet we feel that we are still far from realizing the responsibility, and very far from the devotion to this work that zeal for Christ, and love for our lost fallen and sinning fellow men demands. As of old it is true that "the harvest is plenteous, but the laborers are few." We recommend:

1.—That individual members be urged to recognize their responsibility for the unsaved about them; that sessions be encouraged to become ensamples to the flock in the power of personal work; that pastors be recommended to preach often on the subject of evangelism; and that all be done that may be done toward promoting the spirit of true evangelism throughout the church, and always.

2.—That Synod approve the plan of having the Home Mission Secretary spend a part of each year in holding special services wherever requested throughout our congregations.

3.—That $200.00 be appropriated for this work from the Domestic Mission Fund.

4.—The time for which M. M. Pearce and T. S. Trumbull were appointed has expired, and their successors should be chosen.

Respectfully submitted,

M. M. Pearce,
W. J. Coleman,
T. H. Acheson,
Robert Park,
R. A. M. Steele,
T. S. Trumbull.

Synod took recess until 2.00 p. m.

Prayer by T. D. Russell.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

Same place, 2:00 o'clock p. m.

Synod reconvened at the above hour and was led in prayer by W. T. K. Thompson. The roll was called. The minutes of the morning session were read, corrected and approved. Papers were called for.

Paper No. 16. Appeal and Complaint of J. I. McCarter.

Paper No. 17. Appeal and Complaint of L. A. Walkinshaw.

Paper No. 18. Appeal and Complaint of S. A. Milligan.

These papers along with other papers accompanying these appeals were referred to the Committee on Discipline.

Paper No. 19. A communication from the Western Presbytery of the Reformed Presbyterian Church of Ireland, commending the labors of W. J. McKnight. Referred to Committee on Foreign Correspondence.

The Committee on Witness Bearing reported. The report was received and taken up item by item for adoption.

Items 1 and 2. Adopted.

Item 3. Referred to the Committee on Finance.

Items 4, 5, 6 and 7 were adopted.

W. J. McKnight and J. M. Coleman addressed the Synod in the interests of Witness Bearing.

The report was then adopted as a whole and referred to the Committees on Finance and Nominations.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON WITNESS BEARING.

The growing unrest in the land, and the desire for change, finding expression in the spirit of progress, open the minds of men to new ideas and make it easier than it once was for our principles to gain a hearing. People are growing tolerant of that which at one time would have been resented, so that in general, if one be courteous, he may speak his mind freely without giving offense. On the other hand this very unrest and readiness to hear have opened the way for all kinds of plans and parties, for lecturers on such various lines that it is difficult to impress men with the truth; they hear but do not heed the message that seeks their approval. Into this seething turmoil of public thought and feeling in both church and state our lecturers and our literature have carried their testimony in the confidence that the blessing of the King whom they proclaim will follow his own word and make it the source of a great and much needed reformation.

The report of our senior lecturer, the Rev. W. J. McKnight, tells us that in 1910-11 he spoke 162 times and addressed in the aggregate over 16,000 people; in 1911-12, 155 times and addressed over 10,000 people; in 1912-13, 168 times and addressed over 19,000 people. Since February 1st he has been with our Covenanter brethren across the Atlantic, where he spoke 76 times and addressed over 10,000 people. During this trip, Mr. McKnight gained not only the good will and commendation of our friends across the sea, but received also enough money to meet the expenses of the journey and a balance of $221 to apply on his salary. The action taken by the four Presbyteries of the Church of Ireland indicates their appreciation of his work.

The Rev. J. M. Coleman reports that he has given 259 lectures, sermons and addresses this year, 215 last year and 205 the year be-

fore. He has lectured this year in 22 Colleges and Seminaries, making 85 in all thus far. He has lectured in a few Colleges the second time and finds the second much more effective than the first visit. He has half enough places secured already to keep him busy next year. After next year new classes of students will have come in and he will begin going over many of the places he visited first. His expenses for the year have been $275 and his receipts, mostly for preaching, $527.

The supply of literature has been kept up and the demand has been steadier than before. We would gain greatly by advertising, but have not had the means to spare. The prominent advertisment in the Christian Nation, which is given without money and without price, has done much for us.

We have published 5,000 copies of a new tract by the Rev. George M. Robb on "Reasons for not Voting in Canada." This was printed at Almonte and left in Mr. Robb's hands for distribution. He reports that 800 copies have been sent out and that no violence has been done him as yet. The Rev. J. M. Coleman prepared a tract entitled, "Is Jesus King," which has been incorporated in our regular series. Dr. T. H. Acheson prepared a tract on "Why Covenanters do not Vote," which was published by the young people of his congregation and 4,000 copies were put into our hands for distribution. The most popular tracts in our list are those by Drs. McGaw and Brownlee on anti-secrecy. There is a wider interest in this than in any other of our distinctive principles.

Mr. McKnight has prepared a booklet of 55 pages entitled "A Message to China", which is an appeal to the new Republic to make its constitution Christian. It is proposed to send a copy on embossed paper to each of the 600 members in their House of Representatives and the 280 in the Senate. A copy is to be sent to each of the missionaries in China, numbering between four and five thousand. Our brethren in Scotland and Ireland have agreed to pay a good part of the postage required to send this message. It is believed that this booklet will be interesting and profitable reading for people in this country, so a large number has been printed.

The amount contributed this year to Witness Bearing was $3,475.82, which is nearly $500 more than last year. Our expenditures, however, have been $4,121.69, or $645 more than we received, so that our balance is but $350, with which to begin the year.

After six years of continuous labor in this difficult field the Rev. W. J. McKnight has tendered his resignation to the Committee to take effect September 1st. Mr. McKnight introduced the plan of four or five successive lectures on our chief distinctive principles to popular audiences in the same place, and has proved it a success. His lectures have not been short or desultory, but

elaborate and closely reasoned. It is no small evidence of power to be able to hold audiences night after night, listening to such discussions.

The time for which Revs. R. J. G. McKnight and John C. Slater were chosen, has expired and their successors should be chosen by this Synod.

We recommend:

1. That the resignation of the Rev. W. J. McKnight be accepted, this resignation to take effect September 1st, giving time for Mr. McKnight to carry out plans and fill engagements already made.

2. That the Rev. J. M. Coleman be re-elected on the same conditions as heretofore.

3. That we request that $5,000 be appropriated to carry on the work of Witness Bearing.

4. That, since there is so small a balance in the treasury, and our collection does not come till February, the friends of this cause are urged to make early and generous contributions for its support.

5. That in case sufficient funds come into the hands of the Committee, it is authorized to employ additional lecturers for short periods and also to advertise the literature of the Committee.

6. That pastors be urged to go out and speak on our distinctive principles, and that elders and others interested in the dissemination of our principles make an effort to open the way and arrange for such lectures.

7. That constant prayer be made to God for his blessing upon the efforts made to enthrone his Son in the mind and conscience of the citizens of this land, in order that he may be recognized in its Constitution and government.

W. J. Coleman,
R. J. G. McKnight,
S. J. Johnston,
Robert Park,
James S. Tibby,
John C. Slater.

The following resolution was offered by J. Boggs Dodds and adopted by the Synod: Resolved, That the Committee on Witness Bearing be a committee of this Synod, to request Rev. J. K. Robb of China, to present, in the name of the Synod, the tract prepared by W. J. McKnight, to the proper authorities in China.

The report of the Covenanter members of the Executive Committee of National Reform was read. The report was received and referred to the Committee on National Reform.

The Financial Agent of the National Reform Association reported. The report was received and referred to the Committee on National Reform.

Synod's Board of Trustees reported. The report was received and referred to the Committees on Finance and Nominations.

The Board of Corporators of Geneva College reported. The report was received and referred to the Committees on Theological Seminary and Geneva College, Finance, and Nominations.

The Board of Trustees of Geneva College reported. The report was received and referred to the Committees on Theological Seminary and Geneva College, and Finance.

The Board of Sustentation reported. The report was received, and referred to the Committee on Finance.

The financial items of the report of the Central Board were referred to the Committee on Finance.

REPORT OF COLORADO PRESBYTERY.

Colorado Presbytery would respectfully report: We have held one regular and one called meeting of Presbytery during the past year.

The four Congregations of the Presbytery are under the care of pastors. The Presbytery received the letter of F. F. Reade from New York Presbytery, and he was ordained to the gospel ministry and installed pastor of Greeley congregation, September 3, 1912. Our people are pushing the work of the Kingdom under the leadership of able gospel ministers.

There are five ministers on our roll besides those who have pastorates. H. B. McMillan is still engaged in the work of the American Sabbath School Union, and does the work of a real live home missionary. J. T. Wilson, who is superannuated, is reported as being in very feeble health. J. K. Robb is on the field in China. Samuel Edgar has greatly augmented our interest in the work in Syria by his enthusiasm and eloquence while in America on furlough. The Clerk is at present engaged in teaching.

We need no supplies for the year. Our travelling fund is full. The statistical report was filled out and was forwarded in due time to the Stated Clerk.

Two of our congregations voted to become self-sustaining during the coming year. Respectfully submitted,

ELMER RUSSELL, Clerk.

REPORT OF ILLINOIS PRESBYTERY.

Illinois Presbytery would respectfully report that since our last report we have held two regular meetings and two meetings by Interim Commission. We have eight congregations under our care, four of which have settled pastors, and one, Bethel congregation at Sparta, is rejoicing in the acceptance of their call upon H. G. Foster, who is already on the ground and will be regularly installed soon.

We have nine ministers on our roll, four of whom are without charge. G. A. Edgar was received from Iowa Presbytery, September 10, 1912, and installed pastor of St. Louis congregation. W. S. Fulton was released from the pastoral care of the Church Hill congregation, September 11, 1912. On the same date G. R. Steele was released from the pastoral charge of Bloomington congregation. On April 9, 1913. M. A. Gault was released from the pastoral care of Oakdale congregation. H. G. Foster was received from Kansas Presbytery, May 22, 1913.

D. S. Faris, by reason of advanced age, is not engaged in the active work of the ministry, and is recommended for participation in the Aged Ministers' fund. Miss Anna George is recommended for a share in the fund for Widows and Orphans. We have one student of Theology, Mr. R. S. McElhinney, who has finished his first year, and is recommended for a share in the Students' Aid fund.

We have one licentiate, James Boyd Tweed; his full time after September 1st, together with that of W. S. Fulton and G. R. Steele, are at the disposal of Synod's Committee of Supplies; the last named wishes to be assigned to Pittsburg Presbytery for the year. We ask the time of two laborers for the ensuing year, and request that Thomas Patton be assigned to us for the month of June.

Our statistical report was forwarded to the Stated Clerk in due time. Our quota of Synod's Travelling fund has been made up. D. C. Mathews, Houston, Ill., is chairman of the Committee of Supplies.

Respectfully submitted,

D. C. Mathews, Clerk.

REPORT OF IOWA PRESBYTERY.

Iowa Presbytery would respectfully report that we have held one regular and one special meeting during the year. There were also three meetings held by the Interim Commission.

We have nine congregations under our care, ten ministers upon our roll, seven of whom are pastors, one engaged in foreign mission work, one in national reform, and one is relieved from active service.

George S. Coleman was received by certificate from the Pittsburg Presbytery, and was by a commission of Iowa Presbytery ordained to the Gospel ministry and installed pastor of the Hopkinton congregation, February 7, 1913.

G. A. Edgar having accepted a call to the St. Louis congregation, the pastoral relationship between him and the Rehoboth congregation was dissolved August 13, 1912, and he was certified to Illinois Presbytery.

Robert Clarke was certified to the Pittsburg Presbytery.

J. M. Littlejohn was certified to the R. P. Church in Scotland.

The Misses Martha and Juliet Cannon and Miss Juliet McDonald are applicants for aid from the Board of Control.

E. L. McKnight is the chairman of Committee on Supplies.

The Presbytery requests the time of two laborers for the coming year.

Our statistical report was forwarded to the Stated Clerk of Synod in due time.

Our quota to Synod's travelling fund is full.

Respectfully submitted. T. C. McKnight, Clerk.

REPORT OF KANSAS PRESBYTERY.

Kansas Presbytery would respectfully report: That we have held one regular meeting during the year. The Interim Commission of the Presbytery has met nine times.

We have eighteen congregations and one Mission Station under our care.

There are twenty ministers enrolled in this Presbytery. Eleven of these are pastors. One is in the foreign mission field. One is employed by the National Reform Association. The others are filling pulpits as supplies or are living in retirement.

During the past year Rev. J. D. Edgar was installed at Stafford, Kansas, October 23rd, 1912. And Rev. D. H. Elliott was installed at Winchester, Kansas, October 15th, 1912.

The following ministers were released from their charges during the year: D. H. Elliott from Dennison, October 2, 1912; J. Boggs Dodds from Sterling, November 13th, 1912; A. A. Samson from Topeka, January 1, 1913; J. M. Johnston from Superior, April 30, 1913; H. G. Foster from Billings, May 23, 1913.

S. M. Morrow was certified to Pittsburg Presbytery, November 25, 1912.

A. A. Samson was certified to New York Presbytery, December 10, 1912.

H. G. Foster was certified to Illinois Presbytery, May 22, 1913.

J. M. Johnston was certified to Pittsburg Presbytery, April 30, 1913.

Of the congregations in our Presbytery eight are vacant. They

are as follows: Billings, Cache Creek, Denison, Olathe, Sterling, Superior, Topeka, Wahoo.

W. W. Carithers is stated supply in Cache Creek.

The time of A. M. Thompson, Geo. R. McBurney, Isaiah Faris, J. Ralston Wylie, and J. W. Dill is at the disposal of Synod. J. W. Dill asks to be sent to Kansas Presbytery.

We ask for the time of five and a half laborers and that R. A. Blair shall be of this number to fill his appointment as stated supply at Olathe.

D. H. Coulter is recommended to the Board of Control.

J. D. Edgar is chairman of the committee of supplies.

Our quota to the travelling fund is paid in full.

Our statistical report was forwarded to the Stated Clerk in due time. OWEN F. THOMPSON, Clerk.

REPORT OF NEW BRUNSWICK AND NOVA SCOTIA PRESBYTERY.

The New Brunswick and Nova Scotia Presbytery would respectfully report: That we have held one regular meeting during the year. We have three congregations under our care, one of which, Barnesville, is vacant. This congregation being so far away from the center of supplies we were not able to get one to minister there last summer. There is a young man ministering at Barnesville now, and we understand he is to stay there this summer.

The usual work is being carried on by the other congregations.

Respectfully submitted,

THOMAS MCFALL, Clerk.

REPORT OF NEW YORK PRESBYTERY.

New York Presbytery would respectfully report: During the past year we have held one regular meeting and the Interim Commission has held several meetings.

The year has witnessed many changes in our Presbytery. On September 29, 1912, W. M. George passed to his exceeding great reward. On September 17, 1912, R. M. Somerville, after a long pastorate of 38 years, was released from the pastorate of the Second Church, New York, and became pastor emeritus. On the same date Samuel McNaugher was released from the pastorate of First Church, Boston. On April 14, 1913, W. G. Robb was released from the pastorate at Bovina. On January 7, 1913, Samuel McNaugher was granted a letter of standing. On January 7, 1913, A. A. Samson was received from Kansas Presbytery and installed pastor of Second Church, New York. On January 15, 1913, R. J. Dodds was received from Pittsburg Presbytery and installed pastor of Coldenham Church. On May 2, 1913, William Hilton Shaw was licensed to preach the gospel.

We have sixteen congregations under our care, of which four, First Boston, Bovina, Montclair and Ryegate are vacant. D. C. Faris is stated supply at Ryegate.

We enrolled 19 ministers, of whom 11 are pastors, one is pastor emeritus, three are in the foreign field, one is engaged in secular work, and the full time of two is at the disposal of Synod. We have one student of theology, licentiate William Hilton Shaw; we have one other licentiate, John Milton Rutherford. The full time of Thomas Patton, W. G. Robb, and John Milton Rutherford, and the vacation months of William Hilton Shaw is at the disposal of Synod.

We recommend W. H. Shaw to the Board of Control.

We require the full time of one laborer.

R. C. Montgomery is chairman of the Committee on Supplies.

Our statistical report was forwarded in due time.

Our travelling fund is full.

Respectfully submitted,

JOHN H. PRITCHARD, Clerk.

REPORT OF OHIO PRESBYTERY.

Ohio Presbytery would respectfully report: During the year one regular meeting has been held. We have twelve congregations and two mission stations under our care. Seven congregations have settled pastors.

There are twelve ministers on our roll, five of whom are without charges. J. G. Reed was certified to Pacific Coast Presbytery, Oct. 15, 1912. E. C. Mitchell is one of our missionaries in China. Louis Meyer has been engaged in religious editorial work, but owing to severe illness is laid aside from active service for the present. R. A. Blair was employed during the year as stated supply at Olathe, Kansas.

W. J. Sanderson has continued his work as principal of Knox Academy, Selma, Alabama. E. G. Elsey is retired on account of age.

Detroit congregation was disorganized May 6, 1913, and provision was made for certifying its members elsewhere.

A call from Hetherton congregation for G. M. Robb was sustained and transferred to Rochester Presbytery.

Mrs. Susan Love, Mrs. Walter Wilson and E. G. Elsey are recommended for aid from the appropriate funds.

R. A. Blair is to be assigned to Kansas Presbytery for the year.

Our quota to the travelling fund is full.

Our statistical report was duly forwarded.

The time of three laborers is asked for.

R. Hargrave is chairman of Committee on Supplies, and John E. Foster is Presbyterial treasurer. W. M. ROBB. Clerk.

REPORT OF PACIFIC COAST PRESBYTERY.

Pacific Coast Presbytery would respectfully report:

Since the last meeting of Synod we have held one regular and one special meeting. The Interim Commission held one meeting.

We have two Mission Stations under our care. Regina congregation has become self-supporting. The Content, Alberta, congregation is without pastoral care. Hemet, California, was recognized as a Mission Station and taken under care of Presbytery, October 16, 1912.

We have nine ministers on our roll. Five are pastors.

J. G. Reed was received on certificate from Ohio Presbytery, October 15, 1912, and was installed pastor of Regina congregation, May 9th, 1913, by a commission.

J. S. Thompson is Synod's Home Mission Secretary, the importance and value of whose work to the whole church is becoming increasingly evident.

The time of W. C. Allen is at the disposal of Synod.

J. M. Armour is retired.

I. A. Blackwood is inactive in the service on account of ill health.

J. M. Armour and Mrs. Rosamond R. Johnston are recommended to the Board of Control for aid.

We ask for the time of one laborer for the coming year.

F. D. Frazer is chairman of the Committee on Supplies.

Our travelling fund is paid in full.

Our statistical report has been submitted to the Stated Clerk of Synod. Respectfully submitted, F. D. Frazer, Clerk.

REPORT OF PHILADELPHIA PRESBYTERY.

Philadelphia Presbytery would respectfully report:

Since the last meeting of Synod, Philadelphia Presbytery has held two regular, and two special meetings. There are three congregations under our care, and three ministers are on our roll.

The First Church is without a pastor, the Rev. T. P. Stevenson, D. D., who had served with devotion and ability as their minister for nearly half a century, having died on October 1, 1912.

The First Church has called Rev. M. M. Pearce to be their minister. The call has been sustained, and transmitted to Pittsburg Presbytery for presentation.

The Rev. E. J. Feuersohn has been employed in the Jewish Mission.

The statistical table has been sent to Synod's Stated Clerk.

Respectfully submitted, J. C. McFeeters, Clerk.

REPORT OF PITTSBURG PRESBYTERY.

Pittsburg Presbytery would respectfully report: Since our last report we have held two regular and two called meetings.

There are twenty-six congregations under our care, twenty-one of which have settled pastors, and arrangements have been made for the installation of another immediately after Synod. We have forty-six ministers enrolled.

S. M. Morrow was received by certificate from the Kansas Presbytery and installed as pastor of the New Alexandria congregation, December, 1912.

J. M. Johnston was received by certificate from the Kansas Presbytery and has accepted a call to the Youngstown congregation.

Robert Clark was received by certificate from the Iowa Presbytery.

R. J. Dodds accepted a call to the Coldenham congregation, and was certified to the New York Presbytery.

A call made by the Beaver Falls congregation upon J. B. Tweed and sustained and transferred to the Illinois Presbytery for presentation, is pending.

W. C. Coleman, R. G. Graham, T. E. Graham, E. K. Patton, and J. B. Wilson received licensure to preach the Gospel at the spring meeting of Presbytery.

J. D. McClure was taken under the care of Presbytery as a student of Theology and has completed the studies of the first year.

The time of licentiates W. C. Coleman, T. E. Graham, R. G. Graham, E. K. Patton and J. B. Wilson is at the disposal of Synod for the vacation months of this year, and for May of next year.

T. A. McElwain asks for appointments for June, July and August, and April and May.

A. J. McFarland asks to be assigned to Pittsburg Presbytery for the year.

The full time of R. C. Allen, T. J. Allen, B. M. Sharp, and T. C. Sproull is at the disposal of Synod.

Presbytery asks for the time of two laborers for the coming year.

East End congregation has become self-sustaining, and asks for no aid from the Mission Conference.

W. T. K. Thompson is chairman of our Committee of Supplies.

Our quota to Synod's travelling fund is full.

Our statistical report was forwarded to the Stated Clerk.

Mrs. Nancy R. Reid is an applicant to the Board of Control for a share in the fund for Widows and Orphans.

Respectfully submitted, JOHN C. SLATER, Clerk.

REPORT OF ROCHESTER PRESBYTERY.

Rochester Presbytery would respectfully report: We have held during the year two regular meetings and one called meeting. At the regular meetings we have given special attention to confer-

ences on "Soul Winning and "The Prayer Meeting," with a view to stimulating the spiritual life of both the Presbytery and of the congregations in whose bounds we met. We have five congregations and one mission station under our care, and six ministers on our roll, four of whom are pastors.

On July 2, 1913, A. A. Wylie was installed as pastor of the Syracuse congregation by commission of Presbytery. W. C. McClurkin was, at his own request, released from the pastoral charge of the Lisbon congregation on April 8, 1913. We have one vacant congregation.

The full time of William McFarland and W. C. McClurkin is at the disposal of Synod. We ask for the services of one laborer half time. Our statistical report was forwarded to the Stated Clerk. G. M. Robb is chairman of Committee on Supplies.

Respectfully submitted, G. M. Robb, Clerk.

The time for adjournment having arrived, Synod adjourned to meet tomorrow morning at 9:00 o'clock.

Prayer by J. H. Pritchard.

MORNING SESSION.

Same place, Saturday, May 24, 9:00 o'clock, a. m.

Synod convened at the above hour and was constituted with prayer by the Moderator. The roll was called. One-half hour was spent in devotional exercises, led by P. J. McDonald. The minutes of the former session were read, corrected and approved. It was resolved to hold an evening session, beginning at 7:30 and continuing not later than 9:30.

The following resolution was adopted: Resolved, That the officers of this Synod be authorized to address the President of the United States, urging him to make a suitable acknowledgment of the Lord Jesus Christ in his Thanksgiving proclamation.

The Committee on Discipline made a partial report, which is as follows:

PARTIAL REPORT OF COMMITTEE OF DISCIPLINE.

The Committee of Discipline would respectfully report that papers No. 16, 17 and 18, which concern the actions of the Session of the Santa Ana congregation and the Pacific Coast Presbytery have been placed in our hands. We find that these papers have been regularly transferred and are ready for the action of the court.

Three other papers addressed to the Synod by members of the Santa Ana congregation have also been regularly transferred by the Presbytery. Other papers which have not been transferred accompany

these and should be considered in connection with them.

Your committee, therefore, respectfully recommends that a commission be appointed to review this case and report to this Synod.

Respectfully submitted,

Signed by all the members of the Committee:

R. J. G. MCKNIGHT,
E. A. CROOKS,
R. HARGRAVE,
J. D. MCANLIS.

The naming of a Commission which should have charge of the Santa Ana case was referred to the Committee on Nominations, with instructions that it consist of a member from each Presbytery, except the Pacific Coast Presbytery.

The Central Board of Missions reported. The report was received and referred to the Committees on Home Missions, Finance, and Nominations.

The Committee on Nominations was requested to appoint a committee to consider the necessity for a change in the nature of the work in the Indian Mission.

Item No. 10 of the report of the Committee on Unfinished Business was taken up.

The Home Mission Secretary, J. S. Thompson, gave his report. The report was received and referred to the Committee on Home Missions.

A bill for printing the Order of Business and the program for Devotional Exercises was presented and referred to the Committee on Finance.

The Committee on the State of Religion reported. The report was received and adopted. The rule of Synod with regard to the length of reports was waved, and the entire report was ordered printed in the minutes. It is as follows:

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON STATE OF RELIGION.

We often try to measure our efficiency by statistics that relate merely to membership, and while such a method has its value it also has its weaknesses. We all lament the fact that we have not had any appreciable increase in membership, but such figures as relate to this condition must be used with extreme caution. What a church is worth as God's agent of regeneration for individuals and society is a far better standard by which to test the state of its religion. "There are some churches fairly dropsical with statistics and yet have no particular social efficiency, whereas there are other churches of comparatively small membership and to which additions are not very numerous, which are of great significance to their communities." (Shailer Mathews). What is the Covenanter Church doing for souls? What is she doing for the community and country in which she

exists? It is in the light of the answers to these questions that your committee has thought it might best determine the state of the Church's religion.

The reports of previous years have endeavored to determine the state of the Church's religion for the most part by her faithfulness to make diligent use of the means of grace, a method which secures rather definite results; for the means of grace are food to the soul. You can determine the health of an individual somewhat by the way he eats, and you can determine the state of religion of a church very largely by the way it feeds upon the "Word, Sacrament and Prayer." But when a church in all its members is faithful to feed upon Christ in the ordinances of His house, it will indicate that something has been done for the Master. "By their fruits ye shall know them." Only the faith destitute of works is dead.

We judge an individual's religion by what he professes and by what he does. This report endeavors to determine the state of religion in the Church in the same way; first, by her vision of the Kingdom of God as is displayed in her profession of faith; and secondly, by what she is doing to make her vision realized in the world.

First of all, therefore, the Covenanter Church requires the acceptance of the whole system of revealed truth, upon the part of every one to whom she grants the privileges of membership. Thro' all her history this Church has had a vision of individual and social life directed by the Word of God, as the only "rule of faith and manners." She has a vision of the law of God written in the hearts of men so that it becomes to them the supreme guide in every relationship in life. The Covenanter church has ever made the Bible the court of final appeal. "To the law and to the testimony." We hold ourselves bound to speak and act according to the Word. This is the foundation principle in the Covenanter Church and it is her abiding strength. It determines her position concerning purity of worship; concerning the system of darkness as it makes itself felt in secret organizations; concerning loyalty to Christ in civic relations; and in every sphere of life.

What state of religion should characterize a Church whose declaration of principle is so exacting, and whose covenant with God is so comprehensive? What state of religion does God expect of us? What does the world expect? These principles, wherever they are known and declared, throw out a challenge to the world, and the world in turn throws back the challenge to us who hold them, that we make our lives measure up to our profession of faith, for worldly men are keen to note that "these are noble principles and should be adorned by noble lives."

Judging from our profession of faith the state of religion is very gratifying, and now let us direct attention to the work of the Church to bring the realization of this vision in the world.

It will be possible in this report to give only a rough estimate of the work the Church is doing, as it is impossible for any church to give an accurate report of its work. The Church of the Covenanters has ever recognized that one of her leading duties is to declare the honor of Christ as the King of the nations. With uplifted hands we hav vowed, "by the great and dreadful name of the Lord our God—to regulate all our civil relations, attachments, professions and deportment by our allegiance to the Lord, our King, Lawgiver and Judge. Through all her history the Church has been engaged in every reform movement which she deemed consistent with her profession.

As a Church we have always liberally supported the work of the National Reform Association, giving not only of our means, but also

of our men. The Church has honored this movement with some of her best talent. From the very inception of the work one or more of our ministers have been engaged in this field. Today we have four men employed by the association. In the year 1900 the Church contributed $3,711 to the work of the association. In the year 1910 the contributions were increased to $4,653, while in 1911 the amount was almost doubled, totalling $8,804 and the total contributions from 1900 to last year was $58,817.

Our Church has always felt that she could not do her full duty as a witness for Christ through an outside organization, but that she is under special obligation to go forth herself for the honor of the King and Head of the Church and the purity of God's worship. She has therefore made all her ministers and members witnesses for the truth in the local congregations, and besides this willingly supports one or more workers in the field to devote full time testifying for the truth as we know it. In the year 1900 the Committee on Testimony Bearing reported one worker in the field all his time and the Church contributed $1,150 to the work. Comparing this report with that of 1910 we observe that the number of workers was doubled, there being two in the field full time and the church contributed $1,127 and in 1911 the amount given to this work alone was $3,615. Putting these two schemes together as reform work we find that the Church has contributed for reform alone since 1900 the sum of $81,034. We have two laborers in the field today, and beside this there is the work of the Committee in the distribution of tracts. Precious seed is being sown wherever there is an opportunity and the door has been opened in a marvelous way.

The Church also has a living and vital interest in the extension of Christ's Kingdom through missionary activity. She has heard the command of the Savior, "Go ye therefore and teach all nations" and has responded in a way not to be despised, but rather encouraged and enlarged. It is more than fifty years ago that our Church undertook the difficult task of establishing a work for Christ in the Turkish Empire, and from that day to this she has been giving not only her means, but also men and women of noble character and Christian heroism to the saving of this people. The minutes of 1900 report 216 communicants in the Syrian mission, and ten years later there were 275. It is not a large increase, but if there is joy in heaven over one sinner that repenteth it is certainly worth while. This slight increase, however, by no means represents all the work done in those ten years; neither can we know what seed was sown in the hearts of those people that have for so many centuries been subject to the tyranny of Mohammedanism, nor how great fruit the Lord of the harvest may yet cause to spring from it.

The work in Cyprus does not show up large in the reports, but it is growing. In the year 1900, 20 communicants were enrolled and last year there were 27. Just last year the report records the amount of work done by the native Licentiate Demitriades who had opportunity in one month to visit 33 houses and 70 shops, speaking the Word of God to 202 Greeks, 149 Mohammedans and 80 Armenians.

It is less than twenty-five years since our work was begun in China. In the report of 1900 we read a quotation from the pen of Mr. Robb, "Much seed has been sown and we can see some effects of it. There are two men and several women who are now worshipping the true God and relying upon Christ to save them, but as yet no one has been received into the Church." In the report of 1910 we read, "The most important event in the history of the mission was the organization of a congregation in Tak Hing, Oct. 4, 1909, with

seven elders, five deacons and a present membership of one hundred and twenty-two. The state of religion in the Chinese Church is very gratifying from the standpoint of numbers. In the minutes of 1910 Mr. Mitchell reported "sale of 5 Bibles, 25 Testaments, 3053 Gospels and Acts, and 633 tracts during the year. Last year the statistics of our foreign missions show 438 communicants, 54 being added during the year, a net increase of 25, and between 900 and 1,000 young people under daily Christian instruction.

At home we have three mission fields, the Jewish, the Indian, and the Southern, in which faithful work is being done by those who have given their lives to serve the Master in this part of His vineyard.

In the year 1900 the Covenanter Church had 20 missionaries in the field including home and foreign, and for the support of missions alone the Church contributed $33,406. Ten years later we had 28 missionaries at home and abroad, and for the support of the work the Church contributed $40,431. The total amount given for missions alone from 1900 to last year was $534,772. In the year 1900 the total amount given to all purposes of the Church was $164,735. Last year the total for all purposes was $234,361, an increase of $69,626 over the contributions of 1900. The total amount given for all purposes from the year 1900 to last year was $2,743,449.

This represents actual work done for the advancement of Christ's kingdom, and it does not begin to tell of all that has been done; and time would fail to speak of the work done in the local congregations, the evangelist effort that is being made through the Committee on Evangelism, and the work done by our home mission secretary toward the establishment of new fields of labor. Surely the Lord hath done great things for us, whereof we are glad."

Your committee sees many things for which the Church should give God thanks and take new courage in the work to which the Master has called her. We must not be blind, however, to the fact that the state of religion is not all that it should be. One great reason for whatever coldness and indifference there may be in the different congregations is in the mind of your committee due very largely to the fact that as a Church we are not yet "working to the limit" in the cause of Christ. When the Church in all her members places the shoulder to the wheel, and all hands pull together in the great work of the kingdom of God, then, and not till then, need we expect the state of religion to register normal; "for faith without works is dead," and although we may rejoice at what we have done, yet we have not begun to do all in our power, neither in the way of labor nor in the matter of giving. The Church has not yet opened her treasury to the Lord.

"A task for every member and every member at his task," would change the state of religion in the Church quite beyond all our expectations. Every member in the Church must learn that as Jesus came not to be ministered unto, but to minister, so He expects His Church, through her individual members, to minister to the lost. Some Churches apparently exist only to be ministered unto on the Sabbath and to enjoy the prayermeetings on Wednesday evening. The Covenanter Church exists to fulfill a mission. She must go forth as a messenger to herald the glad tidings of a Savior for individuals, and to proclaim Him who died for the lost to be the King of all the nations. The more every member in the Church prays and labors for the accomplishment of this great mission the higher will be the state of religion. God speed the day when every mem-

ber of our Covenanted Zion shall honor the Lord by giving of his strength for the cause we love.

We recommend:

1. That pastors and sessions seek to organize the work of the congregation so thoroughly that every member may have a share in it, and that they do all in their power to make the members feel that "they are under responsibility as well as under grace."

2. That pastors and sessions constantly keep before the congregations the great mission of the Church, and for the encouragement of the members frequently remind them of the work that is being done for the accomplishment of that mission.

Respectfully submitted,

T. C. MCKNIGHT,
W. J. COLEMAN,
D. H. ELLIOTT,
J. WALKER THOMPSON.
Committee.

The report of the Committee on Unfinished Business was taken up.

Item No. 11. The Secretary of Young People's Work reported. The report was received and adopted, and is as follows:

REPORT OF SECRETARY OF YOUNG PEOPLE'S SOCIETIES

The Secretary of Young People's Societies would report that he has been in communication with every one of the 68 regular organized societies with the exception of three. Seven societies have been organized and three disorganized during the year. Twenty-five congregations not having Young People's Societies reported that there was no possibility of such an organization and over half gave as the reason that they had "no young people."

The membership of the 65 societies reporting to the secretary is given as 1,658, a decrease of about 150 from last year. Ten hundred and seventy is the number of members between the ages of 15 and 35 years. In 90 congregations there are reported 756 church members between the ages of 15 and 35 years who are not members of any Young People's Society.

Forty-two societies have been engaged in some kind of study during the year. Most of these using books suggested last year and nearly all using the "Daily Bible Reading Folders." The societies are to be commended for the interest they have shown in the Plan of Work adopted by the last Synod.

The secretary has sent out over a thousand communications during the year, including circular letters, the Plan of Work, printed in large type on heavy paper, lists of questions for securing reports, personal letters asking for information and replies to communications received. During the year four Young People's conventions were visited: Iowa Presbytery Convention at Washington, Iowa, in June; Kansas Presbytery Convention at Eskridge, Kansas, in August; Illinois Presbytery Convention at Bloomington, Indiana, in August; and Pittsburg Presbytery Convention at Pittsburg, in October. This has made possible a better understanding of conditions and needs. Pastors are urged to plan work that will make use of the energy that our young people are ready to use in the service of the church and which, if not used there, will be expended in ways that tend to draw them entirely away from the church. Giving Young

People "Something to do" is a great means of keeping them within the Church.

The future of the church at home as well as of the Church abroad depends upon the training which our young people are receiving, and the secretary hopes that such plans will be adopted by the Synod that when introduced into the work of the young people, by pastors and others having oversight of this work at the beginning of the year's work, will show a greater and more consistent advance in this work than we have yet seen.

There was an amount of $61.93 expended over the amount received.

Respectfully submitted,
JOHN YATES, Secretary.

John Yates was continued Secretary of Young People's work.

Item No. 16. The delegate to the Inter-Church Temperance Federation Reported. The report was received and adopted and is as follows:

REPORT OF COMMITTEE TO INTER-CHURCH FEDERATION.

Your delegate to the Inter-Church Temperance Federation would respectfully report as follows:

Two meetings of the Executive Committee of the Temperance Federation were held during the past year; one at Chicago on December 5, and one at Washington, D. C., on December 17. Your delegate attended the latter meeting. The Federation is a movement to organize and unify the Christian churches against the great enemy of intemperance, and is only in its infancy. Its work is not moving forward rapidly at present, but it is to be hoped that it will be pushed more vigorously in the future.

In connection with his attendance at the meeting of the Executive Committee of the Federation your delegate was an interested participant in the great temperance rally held at Washington during the week beginning December 16. 270 delegates from 32 states were present, 50 of the delegates having been appointed by eleven different state Governors. It cannot be doubted that this conference had an important bearing on the passage of the Webb interstate liquor shipment bill. The expense incurred in attending the Washington meeting was $16.00.

Respectfully submitted,
T. H. ACHESON.

T. H. Acheson was continued as the delegate of this Synod to the Inter-Church Federation.

The Committee on Nominations made a partial report, which was accepted.

Synod took recess until 7:30 this evening.

Prayer by A. A. Samson.

EVENING SESSION.

Same place, 7:30 p. m.

Synod met at the above hour and was led in prayer by James Torrens. The calling of the roll was dispensed with. Minutes of the morning session were read, corrected and approved.

The members of the Commission appointed to adjudicate the difficulties in Santa Ana congregation, were excused from attending this meeting of the court, that they might continue their work.

It was resolved, that in view of the peculiar conditions prevailing in the First Boston congregation, their quota to the travelling fund shall be computed on the basis of membership reported to this Synod.

The Committee on Nominations presented a partial report, which was received. The Domestic Mission Conference reported. The report was received, and referred to the Committee on Finance.

The Committee on Systematic Beneficence reported. The report was received and taken up item by item for adoption.

Items 1 and 2 were adopted.

Item 3 amended and adopted.

Items 4, 5, 6, 7, 8 and 9 adopted.

The report was then adopted as a whole, and is as follows:

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON SYSTEMATIC BENEFICENCE.

Among the forces employed in evangelizing the world, money is an essential human factor. Consecrated money is a dominant force in evangelization, while undedicated wealth is a curse and a hindrance. The problem is how to release the stored up energy of material resources, and to guide it into the channel most fit. If, as one has said, "financiering lies at the heart of all organized work, and is vital, primary, and fundamental, and never incidental," the value of a right solution of the problem, and the importance of a proper financial sytsem, can hardly be overestimated.

Divine ownership and human stewardship are the two great pillars upon which a proper system must rest. God is the supreme capitalist, man the dependent debtor. The owner of all has the right to give material blessings to whom He will, and upon what terms are pleasing to Him, as well as to determine to what end they shall be devoted, and how long retained. The Christian, of all others, should recognize that he is not the original owner, but only the trustee of what he receives. It is his to have, but not to hold; to use, but not to usurp. Such a conception of stewardship implies the rendering up of an account, which in turn involves the keeping of an

account. But while fundamental principles are patent enough, it is to be lamented that they are either ignored or rejected by many who wear the badge of Christian discipleship.

It is with satisfaction that we observe the definite attention which most denominations are now giving to this phase of Christian activity. This we regard as a distinct challenge to our own Church, always in the forefront, to "abound in this grace also". Christians are more and more coming to understand that they should manage their affairs in the interests of Christ's kingdom, and not for themselves alone. It is our conviction that the claims of God in matters of property are better appreciated and accepted than formerly. Lack of appreciation may be attributed either to downright covetousness or to sheer ignorance. The former needs a divine antidote. The latter may be alleviated by the impartation of wholesome instruction. It may be ventured that the supreme present-day need in the realm of church finance is thorough education in the principles and practices of Christian stewardship, not occasional and arbitrary teaching, but constant and reasonable instruction.

In supplying this need, the pulpit is the prime factor. Discussion of the principles of beneficence is neither outside its province, nor beneath its dignity. Direct and comprehensive treatment of the subject is needed. An occasional sermon of commonplace generalities on giving will usually be as powerless as it is vague. The pastor should make himself familiar with fundamentals, and be able to enforce these by considerations from the Word of God. Only second to the persuasion of the pulpit is the power of the printed page. The scanty literature of the past is being replaced by that which is both abundant and pointed. General circulation of this is bound to have its influence. Official boards would be amply repaid for the money expended in the wise dissemination of literature. Public and printed appeal should be followed by personal instruction, and all by thorough organization. The pastor who fails to organize his forces will find his efforts largely dissipated, and as an expert along this line remarks, "The fruits of his toil will be but the gleanings instead of the abundant harvest."

Some of these methods your committee has sought to employ during the past year. A campaign of education has been carried on in the church press for five months in a series of solicited articles upon suggested topics. The response to our solicitation was most hearty, and the articles themselves helpful, both to the writers in leading them to a restudy of the question, and to the readers in giving them light upon difficult points. Testimonies as to the value of the discussions have come from various quarters, and thoughtful people all over the church have been awakened to a more careful study of the claims of God upon them as regards their substance.

The principle of tithing as a sacred obligation upon the New Testament church has been accepted, and in the articles published has been exhibited as the Scriptural plan, and emphasized as the ideal system for solving the church's financial problems. No canvas of the congregations was made, and while we are unable to report any widespread awakening upon the subject, reports have filtered through that in some portions there is an awakening of the conscience of the people, and a corresponding increase of contributions. A few congregations report practically the entire membership adhering to the tithe system. Tithing associations have been formed in some places with gratifying results. One congregation has an organization of 130 out of a membership of 200 where recently there were but few tithers.

Another department of work has been the holding of conferences for the discussion of the principles of Christian beneficence, and their application to individual life. One, and in some instances, two such conferences have been held in half of the presbyteries during the year. While not all have been at the instigation of your committee, all have been with its approbation, and the fruits have been encouraging. The repetition of one conference in a different locality, with the same speakers and addresses was tried, with commendable results. Believing that in many congregations the financial board is the weak point in church administration, it was our aim to enlist the interest and capacities of the financial officers, and to this end two Deacons' conferences were held in connection with meetings of presbyteries. Individual members of the committee deserve special commendation for arranging conferences in their respective localities and in giving time and effort to make them a success. Others who contributed in any way or place have the thanks of your committee.

We note the advance of the converts in the foreign field in recognition of God's claims upon their substance, and regard the same as a keen rebuke to life-long church members who refuse to return to God the fitting portion as the pledge of their lively gratitude. A letter from Mersine says: "Our tithe campaign has succeeded beyond all our expectations, until we can say that practically all the congregation here, and some adherents also, are pledged to this plan of giving, and the result is manifest in the increased contributions." The report from China is: "The subscriptions for the coming year (are) greater than ever before."

We recommend:

1. That the plan of education through the press and by means of conferences be approved.
2. That we urge upon our membership and especially upon our young people, the propriety and advantage of adopting the systematic and proportionate plan of contributing to the Lord's work.
3. That pastors preach on the subject of systematic giving at least twice during the year, and make definite effort to lead their people to commit themselves to the principle and practice of tithing.
4. That a Tithe Covenant group be formed in each congregation for the study of the tither's problems.
5. That financial boards be urged to distribute appropriate literature on the subject in their respective congregations.
6. That presbyteries arrange for at least one conference during the year, in the discussions of which elders and deacons shall be given a prominent place.
7. That congregations be urged to adopt the weekly envelope system, as the ideal method of contributing to the Lord's cause.
8. That tithe payers be urged to consider the obligations resting upon them to bring the whole tithe into the treasury of the Church.
9. That the name of J. S. Tibby be added to the committee, and that the terms of office expire in the order of appointment according to Synod's rules as to tenure of office for permanent committees.

W. M. ROBB,
R. A. BLAIR,
D. C. MATHEWS,
JAMES CARSON,
GEORGE A. MCKEE.
Committee.

The Moderator and Clerk of Synod were appointed to act as a committee to extend to Rev. William A. Sunday an invitation to address the Synod at whatever time on Monday would be convenient to Mr. Sunday.

Synod adjourned to meet Monday morning at 9:00 o'clock.

Prayer by J. C. Slater.

MORNING SESSION.

Same place, Monday, May 26th, 9:00 a. m.

Synod convened at the above hour, and was constituted with prayer by the Moderator. The calling of the roll was dispensed with. Synod engaged in devotional exercises for one-half hour led by F. M. Foster.

Minutes of Saturday evening session were read, corrected and approved.

T. D. Russel being called home, was excused from further attendance on the meetings of the court, and permitted to participate in the travelling fund.

The report of the Committee on Unfinished Business was taken up.

Item No. 3 was taken up, and the following resolution passed: Resolved, That the action of the Synod of 1877 be reaffirmed, with the understanding that it prohibits ministers of other denominations from occupying our pulpits in the regular preaching of the Word.

The report of the Committee on Unfinished Business was laid on the table for the present, for the order of the day, which was the hearing of Rev. W. A. Sunday.

The Committee appointed to investigate the different series of graded Sabbath School lessons reported. The report was received and adopted, and the Committee continued. The report is as follows:

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON GRADED LESSONS.

Your committee on Graded Lessons would respectfully report:

Two main systems of graded lessons have been before the public. The Blakeslee system was published years ago and was discussed on the floor of Synod and in the church press. The syndicated lessons are recent and deserve attention. To your committee it does not seem advisable to adopt them as they are for the following reasons:

1. They are based on a false idea of religion. Discarding in good measure the belief in a divine revelation of religion, it is considered a development from earlier forms and customs. Running through the whole plan is the evolutionary view of the origin of thought and matter, which traces our present civilization back through primitive man, animal life and to some prehistoric germ.

2. They are based on a false idea of the new life. Following the evolutionary idea, each stage of life finds its sufficient cause in the preceding stage. This leaves no place for divine intervention which we call regeneration. This is regarded as an incident in the normal development of the child from youth into manhood. The period at which this change should normally occur is between fifteen and twenty years of age and therefore all teaching about a change of heart is omitted from the studies of the preceding years.

3. Perhaps, because the atonement can not be fitted in with any accepted theory of evolution, it has no prominence in the lessons.

4. Since the Bible characters had no special divine powers, it was thought proper by the author of these lessons to put in characters from later history as equally worthy of study.

For these reasons your committee can not recommend the lessons.

On account of the faults existing in them the Presbyterian Assembly of 1912 chose a committee to revise the lessons so that they might be acceptable to those holding to the inspiration of the Scriptures. That committee is to report at Atlanta and the finished work is expected before the close of the year. Believing that if the lessons can be made satisfactory to those having proper reverence for the Bible, they might well form part of the school curriculum we have thought it wise not to attempt a judgment on graded lessons until the work proposed by the Assembly's Committee is complete. Your committee has been assured that the lessons will be made satisfactory. In such case they could be made part of a system for use in our congregations.

We therefore recommend:

1. That Synod recommend a system of graded lessons, if a satisfactory one can be arranged in the Sabbath school.

2. That promotions shall depend on the completion of the lessons in each grade along with the learning of Scripture verses and catechism answers.

3. That the course shall include a study of the history of the church, her testimony and also a preparation for personal work through gaining command of the Bible.

4. That this be accepted as a partial report pending the revision of the syndicated graded lessons.

J. M. COLEMAN,
J. B. GILMORE,
J. D. EDGAR,
JAMES S. TIBBY.

The report of the Committee on Unfinished Business was taken from the table.

Item 17. Attended to.

Item 18. Postponed until next year.

Item 19. Attended to in part.

Items 20, 21, 22 attended to.

Item 23. The Clerk reported. The report was amended and adopted and is as follows:

REPORT OF THE CLERK ON PRINTING THE MINUTES OF 1912.

As you directed, 1,000 copies of the minutes of Synod for 1912 were printed. At the suggestion of the treasurer of Synod, there were printed 100 additional copies, the cause for which he will no doubt explain in his report.

The work was done by the News-Herald Publishing Co., of Morning Sun, Iowa, under the direction of C. D. Trumbull and the Assistant Clerk. The financial item connected with this work will appear in the report of the Treasurer on the cost and sale minutes.

The following corrections should be made in the minutes as printed:

Page 8.—In the number of congregations not represented Fair Grove, Michigan, should be mentioned.

Page 8.—In the roll of Ohio Presbytery, the names of D. O. Jack and Theodore McNaughton, should be placed opposite Cedar Lake congregation instead of Cedarville.

Page 14.—To the first paragraph of the session for Thursday morning, should be added the statement, "The minutes of the Session of Wednesday afternoon were read, corrected and approved.

Page 36.—Fourth paragraph from the bottom, for J. P. Kennedy, read J. R. Kennedy.

Page 131.—The last recommendation of the report of the committee on Theological Seminary and Geneva College, should read: That J. S. Tibby, whose term as a member of the Board of Corporators of Geneva College has expired, be elected his own successor.

Page 72. The item as to National Reform collection, should be at bottom of the page, and not a part of the Report on Finance.

Notwithstanding the fact that clerks of Presbyteries have been urged to correctness in making out their statistical reports, nevertheless a number of mistakes appear in the different reports; for example, in Pittsburg Presbytery the name of J. Renwick Wylie should be added to the roll of ministers.

Opposite McKeesport congregation in column under "Salary Paid by Congregation," the reference letter "j" in the foot note should be "g".

Respectfully submitted,

J. C. FRENCH, Clerk

Synod took recess until 2:00 o'clock p. m.

Prayer by W. J. Sanderson.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

Same place, 2:00 o'clock p. m.

Synod reconvened at the above hour and was led in prayer by R. Elliott. Minutes of the forenoon session were read, corrected and approved.

The report of the Mission Conference was read and taken up item by item for adoption.

Items 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9 and 10 were adopted.

The report was then adopted as a whole and the financial items referred to Committee on Finance.

The congregation of Bloomington, Indiana, extended an invitation to Synod to meet in their church in 1914. The invitation was referred to the Committee on Place of Meeting.

A communication from a member of Cambridge congregation, concerning the classification of congregations, was read.

The report of the Committee on Unfinished Business was taken up.

Item No. 24. The Treasurer reported on the cost of printing the minutes. Report adopted and it is as follows:

PRINTING AND SALE OF 1912 MINUTES OF SYNOD.

911 copies sold at 35 cents		$318 85
24 free copies		
935		
Cost of Printing	$210 75	
Postage and Expressage	29 18	
		239 93
Balance		$ 78 92

JAMES S. TIBBY, Treasurer.

Items 25, 26, 27, 28, 29, 30, adopted.

Item 31. The Committee reported. The report was adopted and is as follows:

REPORT OF AD INTERIM COMMITTEE ON SUPPLIES.

The standing committee on supplies would report that during the year we received a number of requests from men seeking openings to preach. We also received some requests from vacant congregations, in different presbyteries for men to fill their pulpits with a view to obtaining pastors. We received no requests from committees on supplies of presbyteries. We made such assignments and recommendations as we were able under the rules governing the system of supplies.

Respectfully submitted,

R. C. REED.

Items 32, 33, 34, 35, 36, 37 attended to.

The report of the Committee on Unfinished Business was then adopted as a whole, and is as follows:

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON UNFINISHED BUSINESS.

Your committee on Unfinished Business would respectfully report the following items of business left over from last meeting.

Item No. 1. Report of the Committee to make arrangements for this Synod. J. S. Martin, Chairman. Page 125.

Item No. 2. Report of Board of Superintendents and Professors of the Theological Seminary on the establishment of a department of Civil Government in its relation to the Kingdom of Christ, in the Seminary. (Carried over from Synod of 1909). Page 109.

Item No. 3. Consideration of item No. 3 of the report of the Committee on Discipline, withdrawn from the Committee and action deferred till next meeting. Page 123.

Item No. 4. Resolution with reference to students preaching. Page 35.

Item No. 5. Report of the special Committee on rescinding the action of the Synod of 1889 in regard to voting on amendments. W. J. McKnight. Page 107.

Item No. 6. Report of the Committee on the location of the Seminary. M. M. Pearce. Page 130.

Item No. 7. Foreign Mission Board to prepare program for Friday evening. Page 140.

Item No. 8. Report of Committee appointed to investigate the different series of graded Sabbath School lessons, J. M. Coleman. Pages 33 and 34.

Item No. 9. Report of the Seminary Professors on the requirements of Greek in preparation for the ministry. Page 139.

Item No. 10. Report of the Home Missionary Secretary. J. S. Thompson. Page 65.

Item No. 11. Report of the Secretary of Young People's Work. John Yates. Page 55.

Item No. 12. Report of delegate to Christian Reformed Synod. T. C. McKnight. Page 37.

Item No. 13. Report of fraternal Delegate to Irish and Scotch Synods. S. G. Shaw. Page 63.

Item No. 14. Report of Committee on Daily Bible Readings. T. H. Acheson. Page 13.

Item No. 15. Report of Committee on Manual of Doctrine and Catechism. G. A. Edgar. Page 108.

Item No. 16. Report of Delegate to Inter-Church Temperance Federation. T. H. Acheson. Page 110.

Item No. 17. Committee on Sabbath School to prepare special lessons. Page 55.

Item No. 18. Committee on J. R. Wilson monument. S. G. Shaw. Page 109.

Item No. 19. Presbyteries to appoint Home Missionary Superintendents. Page 65.

Item No. 20. Pacific Coast Presbytery to re-try the Walkinshaw case. Page 140.

Item No. 21. Treasurer with Committee on Music to print an edition of the Psalter without music. Page 118.

Item No. 22. Treasurer to pay to the Western Section of the Presbyterian Alliance the sum of $40. Page 72.

Item No. 23. Report of Clerk on printing Minutes of Synod. Page 72.

Item No. 24. Report of Treasurer on the cost of printing the Minutes of Synod. Page 73.

Item No. 25. Treasurer to print a thousand copies of the Covenant of 1871. Page 63.

Item No. 26. Treasurer to pay J. R. W. Stevenson $100.00 from undesignated funds of Synod. Page 73.

Item No. 27. Disposal of the proceeds of sale of Rochester church property. Page 73.

Item No. 28. Proceeds of sale of East Craftsbury church property to be transferred to Church Erection fund. Page 73.

Item No. 29. $150 contributed by Staunton congregation to be applied to payment of Geneva Dormitory Note. Page 73.

Item No. 30. Balance from supplement to Youngstown congregation to be transferred from Sustentation fund to Treasury of Domestic Missions. Page 130.

Item No. 31. Report of Ad Intrim Committee on Supplies. R. C. Reed.

Item No. 32. Clerk to convey the thanks of Synod to Hugh A. Clark, Musical Director in University of Pennsylvania, for services rendered. Page 37.

Item No. 33. Clerk to send to President Taft and Woodrow Wilson a copy of the resolution by W. P. Johnson with reference to the Roman Hierarchy. Page 64.

Item No. 34. Clerk to make reply to letter from the Associate Presbyterian Synod. Page 101.

Item No. 35. Officers of Synod to sign and forward letter to the Synod of Ireland.

Item No. 36. Clerk to decline the invitation extended to Synod by the San Francisco Convention League. Page 125.

Item No. 37. Letters of sympathy; (a) By W. P. Johnson to T. P. Stevenson. Page 14. (b) By J. B. Dodds to R. A. Boyd. (c) By W. J. McKnight to S. A. S. Metheny. (d) By C. D. Trumbull to E. G. Elsey. Page 36. (e) By J. M. Coleman to David Popoweetie and son, Robert. Page 71.

(Signed.) JOHN C. FRENCH, Clerk.
GEO. A. EDGAR, Asst. Clerk.

The Committee on Temperance reported. The report was received and taken up item by item for adoption.

Discussion on all questions was limited to three minutes.

Item No. 1. The following resolution was adopted as a substitute for the item: That no person who uses tobacco shall hereafter be elected as an officer or appointed as a teacher in the Sabbath School.

Item No. 2. The following substitute was adopted for the item: That Presbyteries be urged to hold conferences during the coming year on the sale and use of tobacco, to prepare the minds of the people for legislation on the subject.

Items 3, 4, 5, 6, adopted.

Item No. 7. Referred to the Committee on Nominations.

In the discussion of the report as a whole, the time of the chairman was unlimited.

The report was adopted as a whole, and is as follows:

REPORT OF PERMANENT COMMITTEE ON TEMPERANCE.

The Permanent Committee on Temperance would respectfully report:

According to the direction of last Synod, your Committee have prepared and sent the letter adopted at that time to the executive and legislative officers of a number of states.

We have also sent this letter to the Mayors of all towns of over 1000 inhabitants in the United States.

The letters that have been sent in reply indicate the interest that is being taken by officials in this question of Temperance, and mark the sending of these letters as a timely move.

We have found that this work is less expensive than we had anticipated and it involves more work for each letter.

The whole number of letters sent out was 7500. We are securing lists and continuing this work.

We have also kept supplied all demands for posters and stickers, and believe that this work should be followed as time and means will allow.

We are glad to note the space that is given to the items concerning Temperance in the press, and there is evidently a popular current of thought setting in against the use of liquor.

Add to this the impetus that will be given to Temperance by the stand that has been taken in Washington by several prominent families in shutting out wine, and there is good ground for the hope that the thinking people of the land are reaching conclusions that point eventually to the overthrow of the traffic in intoxicants.

Meanwhile, there are great numbers going on in the use of liquor, and new recruits are constantly being added. We can be sure of this when we study the Government reports that tell us of a great increase in the amount of liquor consumed in the past year.

Legislation has moved forward in obedience to the command of the temperance sentiment, and the fact that there is enough sentiment to force the passage of these measures, gives promise that there will probably be a better enforcement of the law, for after all, the enforcement comes back as the duty of the community.

This growth of sentiment will need to be encouraged, and we believe one effective means of doing this is by keeping proper thoughts before the public; and one very effective way of doing this is by the series of posters we put out. We hope to add several new ones to our already long list, and if these can be posted in every school house in the land, there will surely come a confirming of all right thoughts along the lines of Temperance.

The growth of the tobacco habit has been very rapid, as shown by the internal revenue receipts. It is also shown by the large and expensive advertising by tobacco firms, especially in the prominent papers and magazines.

The increased trade in pouch tobacco and cigarettes and cigarette papers indicate the growing use of these destroyers of youth.

No Christian can sit back calmly, enjoying his pipe, and wash his hands clear of his responsibility in this slaughter of thoughtless, heedless boys.

It is the "boy's smoke" as the cigar and pipe are the form used by men, but the effect on the boy is destructive at a rate that men that use tobacco cannot understand, for the process of deterioration proceeds more slowly with the hardened tissue of mature manhood.

The testimony of those best situated to judge, is a unit in regard to the use of the cigarette being totally evil in its effects, and the only difference in their condemnation is their ability to pile up words in trying to picture the ruin it works.

Judge Stubbs, of the Indianapolis Juvenile Court, says: "I have found that in nearly every case where a boy was arrested for a serious offense, he was a user of the cigarette. I am convinced that the cigarette is at the bottom of the most of the criminality among boys."

Supt. T. E. Fitzgibbon, Columbus, Indiana, says in regard to the use of cigarettes among school boys: "First, they sap the physical energy of the one addicted to them; second, they very much weaken the ability of the user for mental work; third, they weaken the will, causing the user to yield readily to temptation that would lead him into evil ways."

Judge Delacey, of the District of Columbia, Juvenile Court, says: "Experience in the juvenile court convinces me of the baneful effect of cigarettes used by growing boys. Boys who smoke cigarettes habitually have poor memories and little or no power of initiative. Cigarettes should be forbidden to the young in the interest of the men of tomorrow."

Judge Lindsay, of the Denver juvenile court, declares: "I have had to deal with thousands and thousands of boys who have disgraced themselves and their parents, and who have brought sorrow and misery into their lives; and I do not know of any one habit that is more responsible for the trouble of these boys than the vile cigarette habit."

Prof. Wm. A. McKeever, of Kansas State Agricultural College, says: "The smoking practice is somewhat filthy at its best, and disgustingly filthy at its worst."

"The partial brain paralysis resulting from the smoking makes the victim regard with indifference the most sacred promise he has ever made to anyone, and he is likely to violate it upon the slightest provocation."

Prof. H. H. Seerley, head of the Iowa State Normal School, testifies thus: "Pupils under the influence of the weed are constant subjects of discipline, are not truthful, practise deception, and cannot be depended upon."

Dr. Morgan Clint, in discussing the physiological effects of tobacco in general, says: "Here is a youth who should be just growing into manhood, the possessor of vigorous health and strength. Instead, we have an old man in his teens, prematurely aged and decrepit, who is injured both physically and mentally beyond all hope and repair."

Even the victims of the habit in most cases freely admit that it hurts them, but as a rule they have not enough moral courage left to throw it off.

In view of the increased use of tobacco in this threatening form, we recommend:

1. That no person who uses tobacco, shall hereafter be elected as an officer or teacher in the Sabbath School.
2. That Presbyteries be urged to hold conferences during the coming year, on the sale and use of tobacco, to prepare the minds of the people for legislation on the subject.
3. That pastors be enjoined to inform themselves as to the evils of the use of tobacco on the youth, and to preach at least one discourse on the subject during the coming year.

4. That the Committee on Temperance be directed to bring to the next meeting of Synod, a form suitable for overture to the lower courts in regard to the use of tobacco.

5. That the sending of the letter adopted by last Synod to State and National officers, be continued.

6. That the sending of posters and seals be continued; and the posting of these in school rooms be especially commended.

7. The term for which M. M. Pearce was appointed on this Committee has expired, and his successor should be chosen.

The report of the Committee on Foreign Missions was made the order of the day for tomorrow, immediately after devotional exercises.

Synod took recess until 7:45 p. m.

Prayer by D. S. Faris.

EVENING SESSION.

Same place, 7:45 p. m.

The Synod reconvened at the above hour, and was led in prayer by William Pearce. The calling of the roll was dispensed with. The minutes of the afternoon session were read, corrected and approved.

The Committee on Place of Meeting reported. The report was accepted and adopted, and is as follows:

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON PLACE OF MEETING.

Your Committee on Place of Meeting would recommend that the invitation for Synod to meet in Bloomington, Indiana, in 1914, be accepted. Respectfully submitted,

F. M. Foster,
E. L. McKnight,
P. J. McDonald,
J. H. McGlade,
Alex McBride.

The courtesies of the floor were given to Elder J. L. Mishler of the Church of the Brethren, to Rev. Chester Birch and Dr. L. W. Munhall of the Methodist church.

Dr. Munhall was invited to address the Synod. A vote of thanks was given Dr. Munhall for his excellent address.

Synod adjourned with prayer by G. A. Edgar, to meet tomorrow morning at 9:00 o'clock.

MORNING SESSION.

Same place, Tuesday, May, 9:00 o'clock.

Synod convened at the above hour and was constituted with prayer by the Moderator. The calling of the roll was dispensed with.

One-half hour was spent in devotional exercises, led by Samuel Edgar.

Minutes of Monday evening session were read, corrected and approved.

The Committee on Foreign Missions reported. The report was received and taken up item by item for adoption.

Items 1, 2, 3, 4, 5 were adopted.

J. M. Balph, John Peoples, Samuel Edgar and A. I. Robb addressed the Synod on behalf of Foreign Missions. The report was laid on the table for the present.

A letter was read from Rev. Louis Meyer. The committee on Nominations was directed to appoint a committee to prepare a letter and present to the Moderator and Clerk to sign and forward to Dr. Meyer.

A letter from Rev. J. P. Struthers, ex-Moderator of the Reformed Presbyterian Church of Scotland, was read and referred to the Committee on Foreign Correspondence.

The hearing of the report on National Reform was made the first order of the day for this afternoon.

Synod took recess until 2:00 p. m.

Prayer by R. A. Boyd.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

Same place 2:00 o'clock p. m.

Synod reconvened at the above hour and was opened with prayer by John Peoples. Roll call was dispensed with. Minutes of the morning session were read, corrected and approved.

Three o'clock was fixed as the hour for taking up a collection for typist, light bill and janitor.

The order of the day was delayed, in order to complete the report on Foreign Missions. R. M. Sommerville addressed the Synod on Foreign Missions. He was requested to publish his address to the church.

The Report on Foreign Missions was then adopted as a whole, and is as follows:

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON FOREIGN MISSIONS.

The many encouraging facts reported by the Board of Foreign Missions are cause of profound gratitude to God. They furnish clear evidence of the power of God's Word to convert the soul that lies in sin, and also of the power of the Word to shape political institutions. The preservation of the lives of our missionaries through recent revolutions, and restoration to their fields of labor, the report of a net increase of 76 in the two mission fields are evidences of Divine approval on our work. This, however, is only a part of the visible results of the labors of our missionaries. The significant facts of the movement in the empire of China towards the establishment of a Christian republic, and of the partial overthrow of the Turkish government, are evidences of the approaching recognition of Jesus Christ as the Ruler of the Nations of the earth. Last year Synod noted the conflict between Turkey and Italy for the possession of Tripoli. The defeat which Turkey experienced in that war has been followed by another still more disastrous ending practically in the expulsion of the Turk from Europe. Well informed persons believe that these victories of the Balkans over the Turkish army will weaken the power of Islam and will lead the followers of the False Prophet to recognize the superior value of even a nominal Christianity, and will further lead them to distinguish between the character of that religion which has subdued them, and the character of that Christianity which for more than half a century has sought the advancement of their spiritual welfare but has not sought their territory.

We cite these facts and ask the church to note the progress of events in these countries because it has an important relation to our work in China and in the Levant. It constitutes ground of encouragement to prosecute our work with greater vigor and to believe that the barriers which have so long stood in the way of Christian progress in Asia Minor are already being broken down and soon the forces of Christ may advance straight before them.

One significant fact referred to by the Board is the letter of Chue Hon Shang which is to us a special ground of encouragement since it reveals the grasp which some of the Chinese Christians have gained of the relation of political institutions to the Kingdom of God.

There comes to this Synod a proposition from the Christian and Missionary Alliance that our church take over one of their stations situated in a thickly settled territory adjacent to our own in Kwong Tung province. This should be hailed as a providential opportunity for the enlargement of our work. The terms on which the buildings already erected can be secured, the number of native workers who will be available to aid in the additional labors, the fact that the Tak Hing mission has the money in hand with which to purchase these buildings, together with the assurance that the enlarged work can be carried on if the full amount asked for this field is secured, and that our mission is now able to adopt and follow out a definite plan of work, warrant Synod in authorizing this purchase and enlarging the work in this field.

Synod endorses the action of the Board in enlarging the school work in these fields. It is to the principles taught in the schools, as

well as to the preaching of the Word, that the revolutions have been effected in Turkey and in China.

Synod commends the Board and the Missionaries for their faithful and efficient management of the work of these missions, and the unsalaried workers for their valuable assistance in promoting the Kingdom of God among peoples dominated by the powers of Satan. The medical work, the educational department, the visits of the city visitor, and the evangelistic labors of our missionaries and Bible readers have been conducted with intelligence and zeal.

We would encourage our representatives abroad by reminding them of the promised presence of the Master, that their trials are His trials, their problems His problems, and that their Helper is Jehovah himself, dwelling in them by His Holy Spirit.

RECOMMENDATIONS.

1. That R. C. Montgomery, S. A. S. Metheny, Wm. Carson, and J. M. Steel be elected their own successors, and that A. A. Samson be elected to fill the vacancy made by the death of Dr. T. P. Stevenson.

2. Synod regards the full amounts asked for by the Board as necessary to carry on the work in those fields, and urges the church at home to come to the support of our faithful and heroic laborers in this crisis hour.

3. Synod authorizes the Board to complete the tentative agreement made with the Christian and Missionary Alliance, if the way be open, and to inaugurate the plan of work proposed by the Chinese Mission, as the means shall be provided.

4. Synod reminds the church at home of the necessity for unceasing prayer for the missionaries, the native workers, the converts, and that the hearts of the heathen may be prepared for the reception of the gospel. Constant prayer should also be made "that the Lord of the harvest would thrust forth laborers into His harvest."

5. That the Foreign Mission Board be empowered to call for such ministers, physicians, teachers and nurses as the Board may deem necessary to carry on the work.

6. That our missionaries at home on furlough and the Secretary of the Foreign Board be heard in connection with the adoption of this report.

Signed by all the members of the Committee.

J. M. WYLIE,
W. A. EDGAR,
W. J. COLEMAN,
—. JONES, (Brooklyn)
H. G. FOSTER.

REPORT OF FOREIGN MISSION BOARD.

Nearly nineteen centuries have passed away since the Lord Christ issued from a mountain top in Galilee the great commission, "All power is given unto Me in heaven and in earth. Go ye therefore and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost; teaching them to observe all things whatsoever I have commanded you; and lo, I am with you alway, even unto the end of the world." And yet millions are still in spiritual darkness and under the shadow of eternal death. This seems strange, when there were never in the history of the Church so many opportunities for successful service—so many opportunities to proclaim the message of eternal life to dying men and to make known the Christian principles that should govern men in

all their social and civil relationships. In the public revolutionary movements of today we can see the hand of the Mediatorial King controlling and guiding all events to the glory of God in the regeneration of society and to the formal recognition of His authority in a world created for the manifestation of His glory. The Revolution in China, which has for so many ages been under the sway of idolatry, willfully opposed to the gospel and the relentless persecutor of its messengers, is His Revolution, placing at the head of affairs in China officials who are either thoroughly Christian or in sympathy with the Christian religion because of what has been wrought through its missionaries for the nation. With this in mind, and acting on the suggestion of one of our converts in South China who had been led to see through careful study of the Bible, the distinctive features of true civil government, as revealed there, the Board decided to address a petition to the President of the Provisional Government of the new Republic, calling attention to the principles that should be embodied in every national charter, and urging the claims of Christ as King of Nations upon the allegiance of China. Rev. F. M. Wilson, who drafted the paper, was advised to lay the whole matter before Dr. A. I. Robb, our senior missionary, requesting him to get into communication with leading missionaries of other denominations and solicit their co-operation. The petition, handsomely embossed, engraven and bound in red padded leather; on the cover stamped in gold letters, "To the honorable Yuan Shih K'ay, President of the Republic of China," and on a separate page inside, the flags of the United States and China reproduced in colors; above them the Cross and Crown, and underneath all, at the bottom of the page, the legend, "Jesus Christ, He is Lord of all," has been sent forward to Rev. J. K. Robb, with instructions to go to Pekin, and, as convener of a committee representing other denominations of Christians, present it to His Excellency the President.

The entire expense connected with the preparation and transmission of this petition is to be met by private subscription, and shall not be a charge on the treasury. To cover part of the cost, the committee having the matter in hand have had three hundred copies of the text in Old English type, just as it appears in the volume sent to China, run off and bound in paper for sale among members of the Church who may wish to have them as souvenirs.

We ask not only for endorsement of this action, but for special prayer that China may be brought wholly under the power of the gospel and become in the fullest meaning of the words a Christian nation.

We press this more earnestly in view of an appeal that the Chinese government issued a short time ago to all Christian churches in China to observe Sabbath, April 27, 1913, as a day of prayer that the infant Republic may be guided to a wise solution of the critical problems before her. Probably many ministers and congregations united in prayer on the day appointed, but the petition may well rise from the heart of this assembly of the Elders and unceasingly from all the congregations of the Covenanter Church, that wisdom from above may be given to the President of China and his advisers in the crucial hour in Chinese history, and that the nation may be led to bow loyally at the feet of God in Christ.

No less conspicuous is the hand of the Mediator in the Levant. The war of the Balkan Allies is His war, by which He has humbled the pride of Turkey, leaving to that persistent foe of Christianity scarcely a foothold of territory in Europe. What bearing this event

shall have upon our evangelistic operations in Northern Syria, no one can tell, but it should be our earnest desire and prayer to God that it may mark the beginning of the end of Islam, which once controlled nearly all Europe, but, though still casting baleful shadows over some parts of Asia and Africa, is now, after a history of 1291 years, powerless before the forces of Christendom, and can hope for no more conquests. Well may we, as we listen to the crash of falling dynasties, and catch the vision of prophetic victory, lift up the exultant cry: "Gird Thy Sword upon Thy thigh, O most mighty, with Thy glory and Thy majesty; and in Thy majesty ride prosperously because of truth and meekness and righteousness; and Thy right hand shall teach Thee terrible things. Thine arrows are sharp in the heart of the King's enemies. Whereby the people fall under Thee. Thy Throne, O God, is forever and ever; the scepter of Thy Kingdom is a right scepter."

DEPARTMENT OF PREACHING AND SCHOOL WORK.

Financial Condition of the Mission.

Thus in current history our Church should hear the call of the enthroned Redeemer to wholeness of consecration. Evidently on all who claim to have placed themselves under His leadership, a fully surrendered life is the demand of the hour. And yet what do we see? According to the financial statement of the Treasurer, which should be carefully studied by everyone who would understand the present condition of the foreign missions, the receipts have not been large enough to meet the expenditures. It is obvious, from what Dr. Metheny tells the Board, and he is the only one, in a position to know, that, while some congregations have increased their contributions, others seem to have contented themselves with the stereotyped amount of each previous year for perhaps a decade and more. And we fear it will be found, on examining the tabulated statistics published with the Minutes of Synod, that in some instances nothing has been given. These monotonous givers need to be waked up to the truth that our extension of the work demands an enlargement in gifts for its support, and no one can take his name off the list of contributors to the work of the Lord without personal loss in spirituality and peace of mind. Some one has wisely said that the demand for continually increasing offerings is inherent in the very nature of the missionary enterprise. The centers already occupied by Christian workers are surrounded by vast regions entirely destitute of the civilizing and saving influences of Christianity. To give the gospel, with its light and life and liberty, to these perishing immortals, little bands, at work as our representatives and under promise of our support in the Levant and in China, are overtaxing their energies and fainting in the unequal conflict.

Instances.

A few simple facts will enable the home churches to grasp the situation: Dr. J. M. Balph, who was sent out to Syria in 1887, and consecrated the vigor of his manhood to the medical department, is no longer able, after faithful and laborious service for more than a quarter of a century, to do the work of two or three men, and should have an associate to relieve him at least of extensive and wearisome itineration. Suadia, a most desirable field, which has been without a resident missionary for many years, is demanding, and should have at the earliest possible hour, a physician and a young woman, an experienced teacher, to take oversight of the schools that Dr. Stewart describes in his account of a recent visit, as "prosperous beyond all expectation." During the absence of Miss Edgar on fur-

lough, the responsible charge of the girls' school in Latakia will devolve on Miss Crockett, who, though willing to labor to the full measure of her ability, is young and limited in experience, and will require more than her natural wealth of humor and perennial flow of spirits to keep her up under the pressure of an unaccustomed task. Miss Florence Mearns, who was hurried away in midwinter, to be associated with Miss Crockett, only reached the field to learn that the Board had felt it necessary to transfer her to Asia Minor to assist in the girls' school at Mersina in a time of peculiar need. Rev. Dr. A. I. Robb, our gospel pioneer in South China, had to go to the hospital for surgical treatment, and has been ordered home for two summers, just at a time when men are needed to improve definite opportunities for wider service, cities more populous than Tak Hing inviting them to enter and take possession in the name of their royal Master. These facts are a loud call from the Levant and China to individuals and churches at home for men and money.

Signs of Progress.

But, while there has been a falling off in total contributions, and while there is little or no response to the call of the Captain of the Lord's hosts for volunteers, there must, notwithstanding a seeming inconsistency in the statement, have been much prayer both at home and abroad, for never in the history of our foreign missions has success been more marked and more encouraging. The Lord's remembrances have not been silent, and in response to their believing entreaties, He has blessed our missions with a large measure of prosperity. It is a matter of gratitude to be able to report a net increase of 76—38 in the Levant (Syria 18, Asia Minor 8, and Cyprus 12), and 38 in China, thus lifting the roll of membership to 313 in the Levant and to 197 in China, a total of 510 communicants. In thirty schools, 1,034 children and young people were under religious instruction during the year the 161 boys and 156 girls in the boarding schools enjoying to a large extent the privileges and advantaggs of Christian homes, morning and evening family worship, Bible reading and catchetical instruction, Sabbath sanctification and other observances that are fitted to train into Christian manhood and womanhood, and that qualify for the service of God on going out into the world to act as teachers or fill other respectable positions in society. These statistics are not startling in themselves, but when we bear in mind the opposition to the gospel on the part of Moslems and Catholic sects in Turkey, and the difficulties to be overcome in doing missionary work in perhaps the most unhealthy district in Southern China, we may certainly view these figures as a foreshadowing of future progress and ultimate triumph. In forming an estimate of what has been accomplished by a manufacture of any kind, we get a very defective idea if we only look at a few articles that have been produced and put on the market, without taking into account the vast outlay of time, thought and labor in preparatory work. So in estimating the value of missionary operations, we do not get a correct view of results when we only count the converts and accessions to the Church, without considering the obstacles that have to be removed before any distinctively evangelistic work can be done.

Another good evidence of progress is the interest taken in public worship. Rev. S. Edgar, who devotes his time and strength to visiting the village schools and preaching at some of the outstations on Sabbath, has addressed gatherings of eager listeners. And in Latakia center not only the members of the congregation, but visit-

ors sometimes came in such numbers as to exceed the seating capacity of the chapel. Rev. A. J. McFarland, speaking of Tarsus, says: "Much good work has been done through the regular services which have been unusually well attended." The same may be said of other places.

The report from Dr. A. I. Robb contains these inspiring sentences: "When we returned to the Mission, late in March, the country was still too much disturbed for touring. The native evangelists who could leave their homes were called to Tak Hing, and we held special services in the street chapel for two weeks. Literature, setting forth the fundamental truths of Christianity, had been prepared and was distributed. The attention was excellent, and the only thing to limit the meetings was the endurance of the speakers. The attendance was about a thousand a week. After the meetings at Tak Hing we went to Do Sing and held similar meetings for nearly a week, distributing literature by a systematic canvass and preaching every day and evening. The attendance was good, but no record kept of the number." Rev. Mr. Mitchell writes with reference to daily preaching services held for two weeks, beginning with February 9: "The average attendance was about fifty. A number of people came who had never heard the gospel before."

City Visitor.

Nor must we, in footing up successes, overlook the work of Miss Mattie R. Wylie, who was sent out as city visitor. Though far from being in vigorous health, she has made 631 calls and read the Scriptures to 1,355 persons; and, if a kindly reception is any indication, her visits have not been fruitless. As she says: "Mothers have been seen teaching their children Bible stories, and the Lord's Prayer, and they also enquire about training and taking care of their children. In several cases former pupils have been met, who could repeat portions of Scripture learned in school," confirming the declaration of the Lord, "My word shall not return unto Me void."

Unsalaried Workers.

Special mention at least should be made of our unsalaried helpers. For instance, according to the field report from Syria, "Mrs. Balph has kindly given an hour twice a week to teaching singing to the older girls." And in China the wives of missionaries have often taken charge of the girls' school when it was without a teacher, never thinking of remuneration for their services. We were struck with a statement in the report of the girls' school. As the Church at home knows, Mrs. Doig went out with her daughter, Mrs. Julius Kempf, at the family's expense, and yet Miss Huston writes of "Mrs. Doig's work in the Industrial Department: During the hour she spent there each day she not only taught the girls sewing, crocheting and other useful things, but taught us all that in order to serve the Master in China one needs only the language of a patient and loving heart."

When we recall what God has wrought this year through our foreign representatives, it demands special gratitude to Him, daily symphonic prayer to which the Saviour has promised that anything we ask shall be done for us of His Father in heaven, and complete self-renunciation in giving for the support of His missionaries and the extension of His cause.

Extending The Work.

The Board has not forgotten the instruction of Synod to extend our foreign missionary work as rapidly as possible, so as to cover

the territory that we have undertaken to evangelize. Nor have we forgotten the engagement of the Church through its representatives on the floor of Synod to furnish the means necessary to effect the proposed enlargement. The missionaries are very desirous, as a preliminary step, to raise up a native ministry, and some progress along this line is being made. "At a meeting of Synod's Commission, held at Latakia, September, 1912, Mr. Khalil Awad, after passing a very creditable examination in his theological studies, was licensed to preach the gospel, and he is proving an acceptable preacher and a man of more than ordinary power." Chinese, carefully trained, are employed as evangelists in China. And in three centers, Latakia, Mersina and Tak Hing, provision has been made for the instruction of any others who may be inclined to study with a view to the ministry of the gospel.

There is also advance in the Medical Department. "We feel," writes Dr. J. M. Wright, "that our work now demands the training of native workers, and, with permission of the Mission, we have undertaken to give some time to the teaching of medicine and surgery to a few. * * * The work is undertaken by the whole medical staff of the Mission. We are aware that ideal work in training physicians and surgeons cannot be done by any one denomination alone, and do not advocate the continuance of our plan, but feel that in the absence of a definite union scheme, this is the best way at present. We need workers, and can get them only by training them. The days of the foreign medical missionary in China are numbered, and all Chinese converts hope for the time when they shall be independent of foreign help. They are determined to learn as much as they can of 'Western medicine.' Our desire is that they may acquire it in Christian purity."

Recently the Christian and Missionary Alliance proposed that our Mission should take over one of their stations, which has been opened for fifteen years and more, but the work has never been developed in a way commensurate with the importance of the place. The policy of the Alliance is to confine their operations to Kwong-Si Province, where they have work started in some of its largest and most important cities. But at present they are very short of laborers, and very much desire to have the efficient missionary at Lo Ting free to go to Nanhing, the capital.

A tentative basis of agreement has been drawn up and is as follows:

1. Legal title to all property owned by the Christian and Missionary Alliance in Lo Ting to be transferred to the Reformed Presbyterian Mission on payment of its present value; said value to be agreed upon by the two missions.

2. All members of the Christian and Missionary Alliance at Lo Ting who so desire to be given letters of standing, which shall be accepted by the Reformed Presbyterian Mission as proof of good standing, and such members to be received by them on promise to conform to the laws of the Church.

3. All agreements with property owners and Christian workers entered into by the Christian and Missionary Alliance at Lo Ting for a year or other stated or understood term to be accepted and fulfilled by the Reformed Presbyterian Mission.

It is understood that the Christian and Missionary Alliance is to retain all their Christian workers they desire and who prefer to remain with them.

A committee was sent to examine the property, and found there a chapel that will seat over two hundred, an eight-roomed and

foreign dwelling house, and a building used for a girls' school, all in good repair and valued at $8,300 local currency. A girls' school has just been started, and a boys' school has been in operation for some years. There are about a hundred members at Lo Ting, most of whom and some of their present workers will likely wish to come to our Mission, as their homes are there and they may not care to leave.

Lo Ting is about forty miles south of west from Tak Hing, on a small river that empties into the West River about three miles west of Tak Hing. A city two or three times as large as Tak Hing, and several towns as large or larger than Tak Hing within reach, it offers a most desirable center for work, and if taken over would probably enlarge our work one hundred per cent.

The Board is in full sympathy with this proposal, and leaves the whole question for Synod to decide. Providentially, Dr. A. I. Robb is with us, and will be able to furnish the Committee on Foreign missions with full particulars, and can also give his judgment on the floor of Synod.

The Board has also received a plan of work from the mission in China, which, after favorable consideration, is passed on to Synod.

Medical Department.

A very important factor in our foreign missions is the Medical Department, and the field reports will always repay careful study. We do not carry the medical statistics from them into this Report, as the figures will appear in the printed statements, bearing silent witness to the unselfish labors of the physicians and the evangelistic value of their work. It is enough to say that in hospitals, at clinics and dispensaries, and in homes to which the doctors are often called, thousands obtain their first vision of themselves and of the Saviour, and many of them would not otherwise hear of the way to life. Dr. Balph writes: "The same attention to religious instruction that has always characterized the work has been made prominent; as usual, many of our patients have been from the villages, a large majority of them being Moslems and Nusairiyeh. As it always is, this was to many of them the first opportunity they ever had of hearing the gospel, and in the majority of cases they seemed to realize something of the importance of the message." The medical staff at Tak Hing, reporting in regard to the hospital, says: Daily worship was conducted with patients and helpers. * * * The patients, as a rule, showed an interest in hearing the doctrine. Many availed themselves of the opportunity to secure literature on the subject. * * * All the helpers have shown a good degree of zeal in their active efforts to awaken and nourish in the patients an interest in their souls, while endeavoring to minister comfort to their bodies. * * * A number of patients professed to have left off worshipping idols and to believe in Jesus as their Saviour." Speaking of the Gregg Memorial Hospital, Dr. Wright bears similar testimony: "Services are held daily with the patients and their friends and relatives. All are encouraged to read the Bible, and to some are given portions of Scripture. Nearly all readily take part in the service by reading a verse of Scripture at morning prayer." Dr. Jean McBurney writes from Do Sing: "A service is held at each dispensary hour. * * * On market days, Mr. Mitchell or Mr. Li preaches a sermon to the patients, and any others who come in. We have been fortunate in having the help of Tai So, our Bible woman from Tak Hing. She talks to the patients while they wait their turn, and has also visited and talked the doctrine in a good

number of the houses of patients and others. She has taken an interest in a little colony of lepers here on the river, and has conducted a service for them almost every Sabbath. Mr. Mitchell, Dr. Robb, Mr. Li and Mrs. Chue have preached to them a number of times. They are glad to hear, and listen attentively. * * * Our medical work in Fung Chuen has not increased as it gave promise of doing, but the crowds still gather on each day, and some have shown some interest in hearing the doctrine. * * * The last few weeks there are almost a dozen boys committing verses, for which they receive a Bible picture with the story in Chinese characters, and another verse to commit the next day. * * * The fact that they are not afraid to commit verses and give their names shows they have made an advance step." An excellent paper from Miss Annie J. Robinson, our trained nurse at Tak Hing, from which we do not make any extract, should be read carefully when it is printed, as it is full of good things.

In view of this we are led to emphasize the need of a hospital at Mersina, and commend Dr. John Peoples to the liberality and good will of congregations and individuals that he may visit to solicit funds for this purpose.

Present Needs.

We close with some matters that claim present attention:

1. The missionary staff needs reinforcement. The Board calls for a trained nurse for Mersina, Asia Minor; three female teachers who have taken a course in Bible study, and have had normal training—one for Latakia, another for Suadia, and the third for Mersina; two male teachers—one to act as teacher of the school in Larnaca, Cyprus and another to go to China; three physicians and surgeons (men): one for Latakia and another for Suadia, and a third for China; and six ordained ministers to be stationed as circumstances demand.

2. Any appropriation less than $30,000 for the Levant and $20,000 for China will be inadequate to cover expeditures.

3. The term for which R. C. Montgomery, S. A. S. Metheny, Wm. G. Carson and J. M. Steele were appointed members of the Board of Foreign Missions has expired, and their successors should be chosen.

4. We have to record the death of Rev. T. P. Stevenson, D. D., LL. D., who finished his course and passed in to receive the crown October 1, 1912, after serving the Church as a member of the Foreign Board with exceptional efficiency for nearly half a century, and we recommend that Rev. Arthur A. Samson, Pastor of Second New York, be appointed to fill the vacancy.

In the name of the Board,

R. M. SOMMERVILLE, Cor. Secretary.

MINUTES OF SYNOD COMMISSION IN SYRIA.

The Syrian Commission met at Latakia on the September 30, 1912 at 7:30 p. m. in accordance with the call of the Chairman.

The meeting was constituted with prayer by A. J. McFarland. The following members were present: A. J. McFarland, (Mersine) and J. S. Stewart, ministers; and J. M. Balph, elder.

A. J. McFarland was re-elected Chairman, and J. M. Balph, clerk. This meeting having been specially called for the purpose of the examination and licensure of Khalil Awad, student of theology, the examination was at once proceeded with.

The first exercise was the reading of the first Psalm in Hebrew, by the candidate, after which he gave a general exposition of the Psalm. Dr. Stewart then asked the questions in Church History; and Rev. McFarland examined in Theology, with special reference to the scheme of salvation.

On motion, the examination, including the sermon, which was preached on the previous Sabbath, was sustained.

A motion was then passed, that the candidate, Mr. Khalil Awad, be given a certificate certifying to the course that he had taken in Theology, and that he is by the action now taken, licensed to preach the Gospel.

The minutes of the previous meeting were read and adopted. On motion the items of unfinished business were laid on the table, until the next meeting on account of the small number of members present.

The minutes of the meeting were now read and adopted.

Commission adjourned by prayer to meet at the call of the chairman, as near September 1st, 1913, as possible.

A. J. MCFARLAND, Chairman.
J. M. BALPH, Secretary.

MINUTES OF SYNOD COMMISSION IN CHINA.

Tak Hing, West River, South China,
1:30 p. m., Feb. 25, 1913.

The China Commission met according to adjournment. In the absence of the moderator the clerk called the commission to order and constituted with prayer. J. K. Robb was then chosen moderator pro tem.

The members present were: Ministers, J. K. Robb, J. A. Kempf, D. R. Taggart and E. C. Mitchell. Elder J. M. Wright. A. I. Robb was absent on account of illness.

J. K. Robb was chosen moderator for the coming year and E. C. Mitchell, clerk.

As there was no business to come before the court, after some informal discussion the commission adjourned with prayer by the moderator to meet at Tak Hing, Feb. 24, 1914, at 1:30 p. m.

J. K. ROBB, Moderator.
E. C. MITCHELL, Clerk.

The order of the day was again withheld in order to hear reports of Committees on Records of Presbyteries.

The Committees on Records of Illinois, Kansas, N. B. and N. S., New York, Pacific Coast, Philadelphia and Pittsburg Presbyteries reported, that they found nothing in them contrary to the law and order of the church.

The Committee to examine the Records of Iowa Presbytery, report that they find nothing in them contrary to the law and order of the church, except that on page 334, the minutes of the Interim Commission were approved, when it had another meeting. Again, at a meeting of Commission of Presbytery the personnel of the Commission is not given.

The Committee appointed to examine the Records of Ohio Presbytery, report nothing contrary to the law and order of the church, except that on pages 106 and 121 the minutes are not signed by the Moderator or Clerk.

The Committee appointed to examine the Records of Rochester Presbytery, report nothing in them contrary to the law and order of the church, except that on page 156 Presbytery took recess without mention of prayer being offered; also on the same page court reconvened without prayer.

Collection for typist, light bill and janitor was taken up. Amount received was $35.30.

The Moderator announced the following standing committees to report at next meeting of Synod:

STANDING COMMITTEES.

Devotional Exercises.—J. M. Coleman, D. C. Matthews, J. G. Reed, J. W. Marshall, W. J. Elliott.

Order of Business.—S. J. Johnston, W. G. Robb, J. G. McElhinney, A. M. Shaw, C. C. Faris.

Psalmody.—H. G. Foster, S. E. Greer, George Coleman, E. M. McConaughy, Samuel McLean.

Secret Societies.—D. H. Elliott, W. T. K. Thompson, Robert Park, W. R. Marvin, H. A. McIsaac.

Signs of the Times.—F. D. Frazer, Thomas McFall, M. S. McMillan, James Dow, R. S. Bowes.

State of Religion.—W. A. Aiken, T. M. Slater, R. C. Montgomery, S. R. Davis, G. G. McLaury.

Sabbath.—W. C. McClurkin, S. G. Conner, G. M. Robb, John Martin, W. A. Ewing.

Unfinished Business.—J. C. French, G. A. Edgar.

Young People's Societies.—F. E. Allen, J. H. Pritchard, O. F. Thompson, D. C. McElhinney, R. A. M. Steele.

Sabbath Schools.—A. A. Samson, W. J. McBurney, J. C. Slater, J. D. McAnlis, R. C. Redpath.

The Committee on National Reform reported. The report was received and taken up item by item for adoption.

Items 1 and 2 adopted.

Item 3. The following substitute was adopted: That we approve of the continuance of J. S. Martin, J. S. McGaw, J. R. Wylie and J. Boggs Dodds, in the employ of the National Reform Association for the coming year.

Item 4. Adopted.

H. H. George, G. A. Edgar and J. M. Coleman led the

Synod in prayer, asking for a special blessing on the cause of National Reform and on the Conference to be held in Portland.

J. Renwick Wylie and F. M. Wilson addressed the Synod in the interests of National Reform.

The Report of the Committee on National Reform was then adopted as a whole, and is as follows:

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON NATIONAL REFORM.

To the Synod of the Reformed Presbyterian Church:

Your committee on National Reform would respectfully report: There have been referred to us three papers:

1. A communication from the Christian Reformed Church askingus to join with them in a petition addressed to our Federal Government in behalf of an Annual Day of Prayer; and requesting us to suggest the method to be adopted in order to bring it to the proper authorities in the most advantageous and appropriate manner possible. We would recommend that the Synod express its hearty concurrence in this movement, and that we suggest as the method to be employed either that the officers of each court be directed to sign the petition in behalf of the court, or that a form of petition similar to the communication received from the Christian Reformed Church be prepared by that body to be circulated among the congregations of both bodies, and to be finally communicated to the President of the United States by the officers of each court.

2. The second paper was the report of Synod's Financial Agent for National Reform. We have reviewed this report and are gratified to find that after a year of larger financial expenditure than ever before in the history of the Association, a net balance of $2951.49 remains in the treasury.

3. The third paper was the report of the Covenanter members of the Executive Committee of the National Reform Association. It is with great satisfaction that we note the large expansion of the work and the never failing patience, energy and hopefulness with which it has been carried on. The development of the work in the last year has been unprecedented in the history of the Association, and we believe the evident favor of God rests upon it, and that the guiding hand of the Spirit is indicating that this is the day of opportunity in this service of the Kingdom. We recommend:

1. That to Dr. J. S. Martin and Dr. J. S. McGaw, both detained from this meeting on account of pressing duties in connection with the approaching conference in Portland we send our fraternal greetings, assuring them of our interest in their great work and prayers for its success.

2. That Synod name the amount of $12,000.00 as a guide to our people in determining the amount of their gifts to this cause.

3. That the continued employment of J. S. Martin, J. S. McGaw, J. R. Wylie and J. B. Dodds in the work be approved.

4. That the members of the court employed in this work be heard in connection with this report.

Respectfully submitted,

M. M. PEARCE,
S. G. CONNOR,
G. N. GREER,
D. C. MCELHINNEY,
W. A. EWING.

REPORT OF THE COVENANTER MEMBERS OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE OF THE NATIONAL REFORM ASSOCIATION.

With profound and humble gratitude to God who hath given us to live in these days of unprecedented privilege when the voices in heaven are saying "the kingdoms of this world are become the kingdom of our Lord and of His Christ," we desire to thank God that he hath counted us worthy of a part in the work of establishing the kingdom of his dear Son. He has given us another year of service, full of hard work, widening opportunity and brightening promise.

We are called upon to record the death of the Rev. T. P. Stevenson, D. D., LL. D., October 1, 1912. After a life of devotion to National Reform, he is forever in the presence of the King. Though God's servants "rest from their labors," the continued progress of the work evidences that Christ is upon his throne and will reign until all his enemies are put under his feet.

EXPANSION—We have been amazed at the expansion of our work the past year. It became necessary to enlarge the Christian Statesman from 32 to 48 pages, and over two thousand subscribers have been added in the year. We have multiplied the workers by three and the work by four. Last year three Secretaries were in the field, now there are six in addition to the General Superintendent, who spend the Sabbaths speaking. These Secretaries, without exception, have presented the claims of Christ upon the country on an average of two and three times each Lord's Day, and ofttimes at intervals during the week. In the Pittsburgh office there are four giving their full time to the work, and at times the entire force of eleven workers in the Publici y office in Philadelphia are employed on it; besides, forty-two State and local Secretaries are giving portions of their time, on the sole condition that their expenses be met. Last year 160,000 and this year 2,500,000 persons received the message. As against 19,018 circular letters of 63 separate dictations last year, there were this year 359 dictations, aggregating 93,450 copies. Last year 2,095 personal letters were written, while the number this year is 11,046. Tracts to the number of 167,435 of 65 varieties were sent out, while last year there were but 35,845. In all, the sum total of 6,350,000 pages of literature were distributed, or about 3,000,000 in excess of last year. Four times as many articles as last year, a total of 213, have been sent to religious papers. These appeared and elicited favorable editorial mention in many of the religious journals in the country, the value and influence of which no one can estimate. To the secular press six thousand communications were sent last year while this year tens of thousands have appeared. Every daily of considerable size in the civilized world has published something about National Reform or the National Reform Association. The Associated Press, including approximately a thousand journals, has published several commmunications every month. And the press Associations, which furnish patent "insides" for thousands of village papers, have carried National Reform to the rural firesides of our nation. The money value of this publicity at the usual rate of ten cents a line would go beyond the million dollar mark. Its moral value is incalculable. Repeatedly a large portion of entire pages and occasionally entire pages in leading papers have been given, notably in Portland where the Conference is to be held. Unbiased observers give National Reform credit for having re-established Christianity in the news of the nation.

SPECIAL EFFORTS—Prior to the Day of Prayer for Schools 3,000 letters were sent to pastors of all denominations in every State, in which were enclosed the tract, "Day of Prayer for Schools." The offer was made to send to all who would ask for it the larger tract, "The Bible in Our Public Schools," on condition of a promise to preach on the subject on or near the second Lord's Day in September. Hundreds of these ministers sent for the literature, preached the sermons and reported them in their local papers. The Association on its part furnished these local papers advance articles preparing the way for the sermons, the publicity office in Philadelphia co-operating. The same method was employed for a better observance of Thanksgiving Day. Hundreds of extracts of sermons preached on these two occasions, clipped from newspapers published in all parts of the country, are now on file in our office. The volume of publicity resulting from these two efforts is beyond calculation.

CHAUTAUQUA WORK—This too has been extended. Eeighteen addresses at Boise, Idaho; and others at Lincoln, Nebraska; Mediapolis, Iowa; Bay View, Michigan; Winona, Indiana; and Chautauqua, New York, have been arranged for. Commencement addresses in colleges—Geneva, Westminster, State, and in Universities, Washington and Lee, Pittsburgh, Colorado, South Dakota and Oregon—are to be delivered under our auspices by eminent speakers coming from abroad to the Conference. Numerous pulpits of prominence in various parts of the country are to be supplied by these same men.

WINONA INSTITUTE AND BIBLE HOUR.—The Christian Citizenship Institute at Winona Lake last year was the best ever held in this important center of influence. In addition to the Institute planned for this year our speakers are to have a place daily on the Assembly program for two weeks, "A Christian Citizenship Lecture" at the 11 o'clock hour. This is the best hour of the day, the hour which thoughtful people gather for Bible study. This will be a rare opportunity to unfold the Bible principles of civil government.

CONVENTIONS—County conventions were held in Butler, Beaver and Lawrence Counties, Pennsylvania; a District Convention in Dayton, Ohio; a State Convention in Iowa. A conference was held in Pittsburgh, closing with a Mass Meeting at which thousands were present. A similar program in Philadelphia was notably successful, the Mass Meeting in the Academy of Music being attended by at least two thousand people.

ADDRESSES BEFORE DELIBERATIVE BODIES AND MEETINGS.—The addresses before union meetings, prayer meetings, young people's societies, missionary meetings, men's Bible classes, high schools, normal schools, colleges, seminaries and at conventions of other organizations than our own, Chautauquas and Church Courts have numbered about three thousand. In almost all instances the reception has been cordial and the interest gratifying.

NOTABLE ENCOURAGEMENT.—The Modern Jews, Seventh Day Adventists, atheists, infidels, free-thinkers and other foes of Christian government have greatly encouraged us by their opposition. No more gratifying evidence of fidelity to Christ and His claims is desired than the way these classes have been disturbed by our activity and prospect of success.

CO-OPERATION OF THE RAILROADS.—The leading railroads in America are advertising the Second World's Christian Citizenship Conference. Beautiful folders, works of art, have been issued as follows: The Union Pacific 150,000; the Oregon and Washington 150,000; the Northern Pacific 125,000; the Great Northern 250,000—in all 675,000. In 50,000 of these Dr. Minton's tract appears in full, and in

100,000 Dr. Martin's. The thirty-six stereopticon lecturers of the Great Northern traveling in demonstrating cars east of the Mississippi are using ten minutes in each lecture to announce, in the words of Dr. Martin, the nature and aims of the Conference. On every official folder and letterhead of the Chicago Great Western, on the menu cards of Western roads, in the summer excursion books of Eastern roads, prominent notice is given of the Conference. The S uthern Pacific donated in the Sunset Magazine—the largest on the coast—a six page illustrated article, value $2,400.

ENDORSEMENT AND DELEGATES.—Attention is called to the action of Conventions, Church Courts and Reform Associations over practically the whole country. The International Missionary Convention of the Christian Church, Louisville, Ky.; the Federal Council of Churches of Christ in America, Chicago; General Assemblies, Conferences, Presbyteries and Councils of almost all Reformed churches in the country have heartily endorsed the coming Conference, and in most cases have appointed delegates. All told, more than 15,000 delegates have been appointed and thousands of this number have signified their hope or intention of attending.

LOOKING FORWARD.—Yet we face the Conference needing, to insure its best success, $10,000, only $5,000 of which is provided for. And after it is over the work will require still further expansion than ever before. Abridgment seems impossible. In other words, we believe that we must either meet the enlarging demands of the cause or withdraw from the field. Our most conservative calculations lead us to believe that $25,000 will be required next year simply to avoid retrenchment. In view of our ever-increasing opportunities and responsibilities, if Synod should feel warranted to recommend $15,000 this year instead of $10,000, we would be grateful and feel that, though the full amount be raised, we will be able to do only a fraction of the work actually thrusting itself upon us.

We also ask Synod to reappoint James S. Martin, James S. McGaw and J. Renwick Wylie and to appoint J. Boggs Dodds to continue in this work.

And again "we earnestly ask the prayers and co-operation of the Synod and the whole Church in behalf of the cause that we feel to be closely related to the honor of our risen and exalted King, the welfare of the American people, the prosperity and permanence of our national life," and the consummation of our Redeemer's kingdom upon the earth.

Respectfully submitted in behalf of the Executive Committee of the National Reform Association.

FINDLEY M. WILSON,
H. H. GEORGE,
MRS. H. H. GEORGE,
JAMES F. MCKEE,
R. H. MARTIN,
D. C. MARTIN,
R. M. DOWNIE,
T. H. ACHESON,
J. S. MARTIN,
JAMES S. TIBBY,
JOHN YATES,
MCLEOD M. PEARCE,
J. R. COPELAND,
W. A. C. BROWN,
J. R. WYLIE,
R. C. WYLIE.

The Committee on Travelling Fund reported. The report was received and adopted and is as follows:

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON TRAVELLING FUND.

Your committee on Travelling Fund would respectfully report:

Eleven presbyteries report 151 delegates. The amount due from congregations is $3443.20, and the total expenses of the delegates are $3711.37. An error in the calculations of a presbyterial representative last year left the Travelling Fund in debt to the Literary Fund for $20.80 to offset the balance of $15.78, which was reported. To meet the deficit your committee has levied the amount of $1.85 on each delegate.

The following items are given for information:

Presbyteries	Delegates	Expenses	Quota
Colorado	6	$ 251 49	$ 100 80
Illinois	10	152 07	275 20
Iowa	12	188 06	266 00
Kansas	28	877 90	672 00
N. B. and N. S.	1	61 25	43 60
New York	16	475 14	529 60
Ohio	17	174 86	288 40
Pacific Coast	8	668 33	144 40
Pittsburgh	42	592 32	804 80
Philadelphia	4	87 56	205 60
Rochester	7	182 39	112 80
Totals	151	$3711 37	$3443 20

SUMMARY.

Receipts—	
Balance from last year	$ 15 78
Quota from congregations	3443 20
From delegates to meet deficit	309 55
	$3738 33
Expeditures—	
Literary Fund, in consequence of above error, 1913	$ 20 80
Expenses of delegates	3711 37
Balance to Travelling Fund of 1914	6 16
	$3738 33
Total carried over to Travelling Fund of the year 1914	6 16

Respectfully submitted,

JOHN COLEMAN,

And the Financial Agents of the several Presbyteries.

The special Committee on Voting on Amendments reported. The report was adopted and is as follows:

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON VOTING ON AMENDMENTS.

The Committee to which was referred the question of rescinding the action of 1889 relative to voting on amendments, respectfully report:

1. That in view of the divided state of feeling concerning the merits of this question, as it effects the fundamental law of the

church, it is evident that we cannot reach the harmony of conviction which we all desire apart from a fuller measure of the Spirit of Christ, both in our own hearts and in our councils.

2. In view of the fact that since this Synod convened we have already been made conscious of a fuller measure of Christ's presence in direct answer to prayer, and which we receive as the promise of future blessing,

We therefore recommend that further legislation on this question be postponed until closer harmony of view be obtained, through the illumination of the Holy Spirit, and that this be made matter of definite and believing prayer on the part of the whole church.

Respectfully submitted,

C. D. TRUMBULL,
A. KILPATRICK,
J. M. COLEMAN,
T. M. SLATER,
JOHN C. CALDERWOOD,
JOHN C. PEOPLES,
JAMES DOW.

The Committee on Supplies reported. The report was amended and adopted and is as follows:

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON SUPPLIES.

Your committee would respectfully report that the time of 26 men including 6 licentiates has been placed in our hands. The Presbyteries ask for 17 and 5-6 the time of one laborer for one year. We have distributed the work as follows:

Allen, R. C., Pittsburg—June, July. Kansas—August, September. Illinois—October, February, March. Iowa—November, December, January. Ohio—April, May.

Allen, T. J., Ohio—January, February, April. Pittsburg, rest of year.

Allen, W. C., Pacific Coast—All year.

Blair, R. A. Kansas—All Year.

Coleman, W. C. New York—June, July, August, and first half of September. Illinois—May.

Dill, J. W. Kansas—All year.

Faris, Isaiah. Ohio—June, February, March. Illinois—July. Iowa—August. Pittsburg—September, October. Rochester—April, May. Kansas—Rest of year.

Fulton, W. S. Illinois—June, July, August. New York—September, October, November. Kansas—December, January, February. Iowa—March, April, May.

Graham, R. G. N. B. and N. S.—June, July, August and first half of September. Ohio—May.

Graham, T. E. Kansas—June, July. Illinois—August. Ohio—First half of September.

Martin, D. C. Iowa—June, July. Pittsburg—Rest of year.

McElwain, T. A. Ohio—September, October, November, March, April, May. Pittsburg rest of year.

McFarland, A. J. Sr. Pittsburg—All year.

McFarland, Wm. New York—June, July. Rochester—August, January, February, March. Ohio—September, October. Pittsburg—November, December. Illinois—April, May.

McBurney, G. R. Ohio—June. New York—July, August. Pitts-

burg—September. Iowa—October, November, December. Illinois—January, April, May. Kansas—February, March.

McClurkin, W. C. Illinois—June, July. Iowa—August, September, May. Ohio—October, November, December. Kansas—February, March, April.

Patton, Ernest K. Illinois—June. Kansas—July, August, May. Iowa—First half of September.

Patton, Thos. Ohio—July, August. Kansas—September, October, November. Illinois—June, December, January, February. Pittsburg—March, April, May.

Robb, W. G. Kansas—June, July. Illinois—August. Ohio—September, October. New York—November, December, January. Rochester—February, March. Pittsburg—April, May.

Rutherford, J. M. Rochester—June, July. Pittsburg—August, September, October. Ohio—November, December, January. Iowa—February, March. Kansas—April, May.

Shaw, Hilton—Pittsburg—June, July, August. Ohio—First half of September. Kansas—May.

Sproull, T. C. Ohio—June, July, August, April May. Iowa—September, October. Illinois—November, December. Pittsburg—January, February, March.

Sharp, B. M. Iowa—June, July, August. Illinois—September, October, November. Ohio—December, January, February, March. Kansas—April, May.

Thompson, A. N. Kansas—June, January, February, March. Ohio—July, August, November, December. Pittsburg—September. N. Y.—October. Iowa—April, May.

Tweed, J. B. Kansas—July, August. Illinois—September. Pittsburg—October. New York—November, December. Rochester—January, February. Ohio—March, April, May.

Wilson, Jas. B. Ohio—July, August. Pittsburg—May.

Wylie, J. Rawlston. Kansas—All year.

Respectfully submitted,

J. D. EDGAR,
S. J. JOHNSTON,
A. A. WILEY,
J. ADAMS,
A. COPELAND.

The Committee on Nominations made a partial report, which was accepted.

The Clerk of Synod was directed to cast the unanimous ballot of Synod for J. A. McAteer, James H. McBurney and J. S. Tibby as members of Synod's Board of Trustees for three years, which was done.

The Committee on Discipline reported. The report was received and taken up item by item for adoption.

Item 1. Adopted.

Item 2. In the discussion of this item, the time of C. A. Dodds was extended. Pending the discussion of this item, the time for recess arrived.

Synod took recess until 7:30.

Prayer by Paul Coleman.

EVENING SESSION.

Same place, 7:30 p. m.

Synod reconvened at the above hour and was led in prayer by J. M. Foster. Roll call was dispensed with. Minutes of the afternoon session were read, corrected and approved.

The following resolution was adopted: Resolved, That when we finally adjourn, it be to meet in Bloomington, Indiana, Wednesday, June 3d, 1914, at 10:30 a. m.

The following resolution was offered by John Coleman and adopted by the Synod, and referred to the Committee on Nominations. It is as follows: Resolved, That a committee of five be appointed, to report to next Synod on the moral side of the great economic problems pressing upon the people of this country, together with proposed and possible solutions.

The following resolution was adopted by the Synod: Resolved, That the Reformed Presbyterian Synod, at its meeting at Winona Lake, hereby gives expression to its deep appreciation and gratitude to the Westminster Hotel and Winona Association for the free use of Westminster Hall, and other rooms adjoining, during the sittings of the court. And that the officers of Synod be instructed to give a copy of this resolution to the Westminster Hotel and to the Winona Association.

The time for the meeting of the Mission Conference was fixed for Tuesday at 10:00 a. m. preceeding the meeting of Synod.

The report of the Committee of Discipline was adopted as a whole. It is as follows:

REPORT OF COMMITTEE OF DISCIPLINE.

The committee of Discipline would respectfully report:

The call from the First Beaver Falls congregation upon J. Boyd Tweed and sustained as a regular gospel call by the Pittsburg Presbytery and ordered transferred to Illinois Presbytery for presentation, was by the Illinois Presbytery referred back to Pittsburg Presbytery because, in their judgment, it does not conform to the regulation of Synod with respect to minimum salaries. The amount named in the bond attached to this call is $1000.00. The Pittsburg Presbytery requests Synod to decide as to the regularity of this call.

Your committee is of the opinion that the call is regular inasmuch as the work of the congregation lies in two districts, part of it in Beaver Falls, which is a town of about 10,000 inhabitants and part of it in Patterson Heights which is a village where the pastor would be required to do most of his work and where, in all probability, he would reside.

The request of C. A. Dodds for a deliverance of Synod respect-

ing this expression in the second term of Communion: "the whole doctrine of the Westminster confession of Faith."

Your committee would recommend the following answer:

The Westminster Confession of Faith is an exhibition of a definite system of doctrine. Every part of a system is essential to its integrity and consequently no part of a system may be discarded without marring this integrity.

Respectfully submitted,

R. J. G. MCKNIGHT, Chairman.
R. HARGRAVE,
E. A. CROOKS,
R. S. BOWES,
J. D. MCANLIS.

The Clerk of Synod was instructed to endorse the call from First Beaver Falls congregation, whose regularity had been called in question, as a regular gospel call, and forward to Presbytery for presentation.

The Committee on Secret Societies reported. In connection with the adoption of this report, the Synod was addressed by Rev. W. B. Stoddard, Secretary of the National Christian Association. A hearty vote of thanks was given Rev. Stoddard for his address, and his work commended to our people.

The report was adopted and is as follows:

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON SECRET SOCIETIES.

The Committee on Secret Societies would respectfully report:

During past years able reports on secret societies have been adopted by this Synod. To make these easily available for present reference an index of the phases of the question presented since the year 1900 is here given:

Secret Societies a Perversion of the Instinct of Brotherhood, Minutes of 1900.

Labor and Trades Unions, 1901, 1908.

The Spirit of Secretism versus the Spirit of Christianity, 1903.

Statistical Evidence of the Freedom of the Communion of the Reformed Presbyterian Church from Members of Secret Orders, 1905.

General Treatment, 1902, 1904, 1906, 1907, 1909, 1910, 1911.

The increasing tide of public opinion against the presence of secret fraternities in grammar and high schools was discussed by the Committee on Secret Societies for 1912, whose report was not included in last years' minutes, but published in the Christian Nation, July 17, 1912. A perusal of the literature on this question reveals the fact that many opponents of the high school fraternity are nevertheless in favor of similar organizations in colleges and universities. We believe there is no such gulf between the high school and the college that what is evil in the former is good in the latter, and therefore present for your consideration the problem of the College Fraternity.

The oldest college fraternity, the Phi Beta Kappa, was organized in a tavern at Raleigh, Va., by five students of William and Mary College, on December 6, 1776. Its formation is supposed to have

been suggested by Thomas Jefferson, who while abroad had become acquainted with the Illuminati, infidel societies which at that time were gaining a foothold in France. Phi Beta Kappa and rival societies were speedily established in the New York and New England colleges and then west of the Alleghanies. Their growth was checked for a time by the Anti-Masonic agitation of 1826-31. During that period, the Harvard chapter of the Phi Beta Kappa, under the leadership of John Quincy Adams, Joseph Story, and Edward Everett, abolished its secret features; the other chapters followed the example and today the Phi Beta Kappa Society, an open graduate fraternity with admission determined largely by scholarship, is the most honored and honorable of all such college organizations. When Masonry regained a foothold its youthful imitators also took courage. Old fraternities were reorganized and new were established. The young women caught the infection and in 1870, at Monmouth College, the first sorority was founded and soon had numerous imitators. Both fraternities and sororities held national conventions and perfected national organizations. Today, according to the World's Almanac for 1913, there are 37 general college fraternities with 1190 fraternity houses, 224,778 members; 18 general college sororities with 43,292 members, medical college fraternities with 35,878 members, and law school fraternities with 16,690 members; which exclusive of many local fraternities, gives a total of 320,638.

It must not be supposed that these vast organizations have grown without opposition. A multitude of notable college men, as James A. Garfield at Hiram, have followed the example of Adams, Story and Everett in seeking to free higher education of this incubus; many small colleges as our own Geneva have rigorously kept themselves free from it; during the past two years the sororities at Mt. Holyoke have voluntarily disbanded for the good of the institution; and the faculties and trustees of Wooster University and the Ohio Northern University have abolished secret organizations among the students under their care, and the legislatures of Wisconsin and Ohio have considered bills prohibiting them in all educational institutions which are supported in whole or in part by state funds.

The limits of this report permit only a summary of the facts which have inspired this opposition:

First, the fraternities by oath or pledge bind their members to the concealment of that which is hid from them and thus lead them to violate the command of Him who himself said nothing in secret: "If a soul swear, pronouncing with his lips to do evil, or to do good, whatsoever it be that a man shall pronounce with an oath, and it be hid from him; when he knoweth of it, then he shall be guilty in one of these." Lev. 5:4.

Second, the fraternities stunt the individuality of their members. While his mind still has the plasticity of youth, the student is wildly "rushed" into vows which he regards as only a degree less sacred than those of marriage, and thus in the very place whither he has gone to develope a stalwart, independent personality, he is confined to the close atmosphere of a predetermined fellowship, is restricted in freedom of thought, freedom of speech, and freedom of action, and is compelled to follow the dictates of men with whom at first he may have little in common; he is fashioned after the type of a narrow group, and finally graduates not only with jeweled Greek letters on his vest or watch-fob, but with subtle spiritual bonds cramping his very soul.

Third, the fraternities are essentially aristocratic. New students are quickly sized up as to wealth, athletic ability, and social attrac-

tiveness. One is taken and another left. "He who is so bold as to ask to join, probably would never be permitted to do so." Thus in the very institutions founded and supported by public gratuities and private philanthropy and devoted to the development of proper leaders for a national democracy, is fostered an ingrowing cliquocracy, "who worship at their own little shrine with their backs to the winds of the world." Said Woodrow Wilson, when addressing Princeton alumni a few years ago: "The universities would make men forget their common origin, forget their common sympathies, and join a class—and no class can ever serve America. * * * I know that the colleges of this country must be reconstructed from top to bottom, and I know that America is going to demand it." Perhaps the agitation in Wisconsin and Ohio is the precursor of a movement more widespread.

These three evils: secrecy; constraint, when individual personality should be developed; sham aristocracy in the proper home of democracy, are fundamental. They tend to be followed by other evils.

Fourth, the fraternities are detrimental to normal college activities. This is a sufficient answer to those who maintain that they satisfy a real need in college and university life. In the classroom it is a general rule that the non-fraternity men excel. The vigor of literary societies is in inverse ratio to that of fraternity organizations. In athletics, in student government associations, in the distribution of class honors, so far as these are in the hands of the class itself, fraternity wire-pulling discourages healthful ambition, and "patient merit scorns of th' unworthy takes."

Fifth, the fraternities afford a cloak for immorality. They may not be used to this end, but experience has proved that there is danger in freeing impulsive youths from the restraint of public opinion. The chairman of this committee has himself seen in a fraternity apartment the evidence of drinking, has heard the confession of a fraternity president-elect that there is gambling in his chapter-house, and has been informed by a college professor that the bitter struggle to abolish secret societies among the students of his institution was due to their concealment of gross immorality. "It is a shame even to speak of the things which are done of them in secret."

Sixth, the fraternities tend to prevent discipline. They cover violations of college rules and present a united front to faculty control. President Albert E. Smith of Ohio Northern University said in answer to a recent questionnaire concerning college fraternities: "After eight years of battling, I class them with the lawless saloonkeepers who have no hesitancy in violating any trust or any order or any law if it is antagonistic to their interests."

Finally, the fraternities are feeders for the even more pernicious orders of later life. Most of them have borrowed freely from the Masonic oaths, ritual, and general customs; they have trained their members to the same secrecy, have developed the same system of limited brotherhood and special social privileges, have offered like protection from lawfully constituted authorities, they differ in degree rather than in kind, and the sequence of membership is well nigh inevitable.

We therefore recommend:

1. That our young people be warned against the dangers to intellectual and spiritual life encountered by the initiate of a college fraternity.

2. That parents consider the evils of fraternities when choosing the institution which their children shall attend.

JOHN COLEMAN,
W. O. FERGUSON,
J. M. FOSTER,
G. R. TIPPIN,
G. G. MCLAURY.

The committee appointed to reply to Louis Meyer reported. The report was accepted and ordered sent to Mr. Meyer as a night letter.

The Committee on Nominations made a partial report, which was accepted.

The Committee on the Signs of the Times reported. The report was adopted and is as follows:

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON SIGNS OF THE TIMES.

The committee on the Signs of the Times would respectfully report:

Sorrow for sin and gratitude for divine favor are the two extremes of Christian experience, and both are essential to a religious life. These experiences, however, are closely related, the sincerity of our penitence being both the means and measure of the genuineness of our gratitude. Anything, therefore, which will serve to arouse or deepen such feelings will prove to be a means of grace to the Christian.

The Spirit has revealed in his word two institutions, divinely adapted to correspond to these two needs of the human soul, viz; Fasting and Thanksgiving.

I. Causes of Thanksgiving.

The attention which has been given to the subject of tithing during the past year as seen in the articles which have been written, in the conventions which have been held, and in the converts which have been made to this Scriptural principle, gives us encouragement to hope that a greater degree of both temporal prosperity will be bestowed upon our church which is thus coming to recognize the obligation f Christian stewardship, and that a greater degree of success will attend her in all lines of Christian effort.

It is encouraging to note the increased interest which is being taken by the church in personal work and Evangelism. The contribution which has thus been made to the spiritual life of the members of the church, in awakening in them a sense of responsibility for the unsaved, in addition to the investment which has been made in immortal souls, enhances the value of a "share" in the church, and gives promise to each investor, of eternal dividends.

There is reason for gratitude in that during the past year, the nation has placed at the head of her government, a Christian president, who although not exemplary in every respect, has given the weight of the influence and example of the chief ruler of the land in favor of total abstinence, and has set aside many foolish and sinful customs which have prevailed at the White House for many years.

The prosecution and punishment of a large number of men

who were responsible for the destruction of life and property by dynamiting, which has been carried on systematically for a number of years, and the army of Christian people which is enlisting to oppose the encroachments of Roman Catholicism upon the free institutions of America, reveal a spirit of justice and patriotism, which, together with the unrest and dissatisfaction with old principles and policies, appearing in many quarters, and the world wide interest in civic righteousness, which is being manifested in connection with the proposed Second World's Conference to be held in Portland, Oregon, in June, 1913, under the auspices of the National Reform Association, gives us ground for hope that if we are faithful in giving our nation the truth, she will be led eventually to accept and honor King Jesus.

These, together with the never to be forgotten benefits of Jehovah "who forgiveth all thin iniquities; who healeth all thy diseases; who redeemeth thy life from destruction; who crowneth thee with loving kindness and tender mercies; who satisfieth thy mouth with good things," (Ps. 103:3-5), should call for the gratitude of every member of the Church to our covenant God for the rich blessings which we have received through our Mediator, the Lord Jesus Christ.

Synod appoints the day of National Thanksgiving to be observed by our church.

II. Causes of Fasting.

As a Church, we should repent of the sin of the general neglect of religious fasting, and in connection with this sin that of covenant breaking, seeing that in the "Confession of Faith," "Larger Catechism," "The Directory for Worship" and the "Testimony," to the doctrines of all of which we have given our sworn adherence, the duty of fasting is clearly set forth.

The gradual declension of our Church in numbers through the defection of some of her ministers and members, and the tendency of our members to move out of the bounds of our congregations, and to join other denominations, and the failure of many of our youth to assume Baptismal vows, should lead to great searchings of heart.

The call of the church for missionaries, and young men to enter the ministry, has not met with a hearty response, and although the fields are "white already to harvest" "the labourers" in many fields "are few." The chastening hand of God is still upon our church, as seen in the continued illness of some who have previously been compelled to return from the foreign field, and in the temporary laying aside of others during the past year.

No one who believes in the God of providence could fail to see His hand in the storms and floods which have devastated great portions of many of our States. The loss of life and the destruction of property from such causes during the past year, have perhaps not been equaled in any single year in the entire history of our nation. God's providences, as well as His word, teach our nation that she should humbly "kiss the Son" lest she "perish from the way, when His wrath is kindled but a little."

The "wars and rumors of wars" of which we have read during the past months, impress us with the great need which the world has, of the gospel of Jesus Christ, and teach us our duty to be zealous in our efforts to bring the nations of the world into the kingdom of the "Prince of Peace."

"Let us think on these things" and humble ourselves before God in prayer and fasting that our sins may be forgiven, and His favor enjoyed.

Synod appoints Thursday of the week of prayer as a day of fasting, confession and prayer.

Signed,

J. G. MCELHINNEY,
J. D. EDGAR,
R. C. MONTGOMERY,
J. G. STEVENSON,
ADAM WALKINSHAW.

The following resolution was adopted by the Synod:

RESOLUTIONS ON DIVORCE.

The divorce evil is steadily increasing in our land, and has now reached alarmning proportions. It is undermining the social order breaking up homes and threatening the peace and stability of the State. Statistics show that in 1910 there were 80,000 divorces granted in the United States, or about one for every twelve marriages. And the greater part of these divorces were granted upon unscriptural grounds, and were followed oftimes by the speedy remarriage of one or both parties, which is virtually consecutive polygamy. Against this great and growing evil this Synod herein raises its voice of warning.

1. Resolved, That Synod urges her ministers and congregations to enter upon a widespread campaign of education against unscriptural divorce, using the pulpit and press and other rightful agencies for the arousing of all classes against it, for the bringing about of this needful reformation.

2. Resolved, That our ministers are urged to make a study of the present divorce laws in the states where they are laboring, concerning divorce, and secure, where possible, the help of Christian jurists with a view to the securing of improved codes of law in those states, as to the matter of divorce.

Synod adjourned to meet tomorrow morning at 8:30.

Prayer by the Moderator.

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MORNING SESSION.

Same place, Wednesday, May 28th, 8:30 a. m.

Synod convened at the above hour, and was constituted with prayer by T. H. Acheson. The roll call was dispensed with. Minutes of last evening session were read, corrected and approved. One-half hour was spent in devotional exercises, led by J. M. Wylie.

A. Kilpatrick, J. C. Calderwood, John Peoples and H. H. George were excused from further attendance on the meetings of the court.

The Committee on Theological Seminary and Geneva Col-

lege reported. The report was received and taken up item by item for adoption.

Items 1, 2, 3 were adopted.

The report was then adopted as a whole, and is as follows:

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY AND GENEVA COLLEGE.

Your committee on Theological Seminary and Geneva College would respectfully report that three papers have been referred to us:

1st. The report of the Board of Superintendents of Theological Seminary.

2nd. The report of the Board of Corporators of Geneva College.

3rd. The report of the Board of Trustees of Geneva College.

These institutions are vital to the life and work of the Church. It is to them that the church looks for the training and equipment of those who are to maintain and extend her work. They were founded in faith and prayer. Their administration is a sacred trust. Fidelity to the past as well as fidelity to the future demands that the high ideals in which they were founded shall be maintained.

The college has been a fountain of blessing to the church. A large percentage of her ministers and missionaries are the children of the college. The most vital element in the life of the college is the spiritual atmosphere with which it is provided, for this is the determining element in the life of many a student. Second only to this is the educational standard that is maintained. No effort should be spared to deepen and strengthen the spiritual atmosphere of the college, and to quicken the religious life of the students. Every effort should be made to broaden the educational work of the college to meet the demands of the times, but in all the broadening of its work the great purpose of the college should be kept in view, to furnish the church with those who shall be equipped to do her work at home and abroad. The great need of the Covenanter Church is the great need of the College, a great spiritual awakening.

The seminary is engaged exclusively in the training of the ministry of the church. Its greatest need at the present time is consecrated young men. For these the church should not cease to pray. Its aim should ever be to carry forward the work that is begun in the college, and it must therefore have to do with the spiritual life and religious experience of the students, and their training and education. Its work is to make preachers. These must be men of God. And they must be men of culture and learning.

Both these institutions have met with a great loss in the death of the Rev. T. P. Stevenson, D. D., LL. D., president of the Board of Superintendents of the Theological Seminary and president of the Board of Corporators of Geneva College. Each of these Boards has taken suitable action in recognition of his services, and in expression of loss in his death.

The College met with a heavy loss in the destruction of the Science Hall by fire. The Board of Trustees is to be commended for its energetic measures in replacing the destroyed building with one in many respects superior to the one destroyed, and recognition is made of the liberality of the friends of the college in contributions for the replacing of the loss.

We recommend:

1. That Synod spend fifteen minutes in prayer, before adopting this report, that the Seminary may receive an adequate supply of consecrated young men to meet the growing demands of the growing work of the church, and that such a revival may come into our homes, our congregation, and our College as will lead the young men of the church in increasing numbers to give themselves to this greatest work of life.

2nd. That pastors and the College faculty keep constantly before the minds of the youth, particularly those that are pursuing higher lines of education, the claims upon them of the gospel ministry and the mission fields, and use all possible means to so quicken the spiritual life of the young people that they will be constrained by the love of Christ to enter these fields of service.

3rd. That President George and W. P. Johnston be heard on behalf of the College, and T. H. Acheson and D. B. Willson on behalf of the Seminary.

J. S. THOMPSON,
J. C. MCFEETERS,
R. C. MONTGOMERY,
R. A. M. STEEL,
W. J. ELLIOTT.

REPORT OF THE BOARD OF SUPERINTENDENTS OF THE THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY.

The Board of Superintendents of the Theological Seminary would respectfully report that we have held but one meeting during the past year and this was at the closing exercises of the Seminary in the Theological Hall on Tuesday, April 29, 1913, all the exercises being concluded in one day. The members present were Revs. T. H. Acheson, R. M. Sommerville and W. J. Coleman, with Elders William Esler, J. D. McAnlis, Charles McElhinney, W. R. Sterrett and John R. Steele. Absent, Elders David Boyd and Walter T. Miller. Dr. T. P. Stevenson, the chairman of the Board, passed away during the past year. Dr. Sommerville was chosen chairman.

Dr. D. B. Willson opened the session of the Seminary in the fall with a lecture on "The Poor Oppressed."

The enrollment of students was as follows:

SECOND YEAR.—William C. Coleman, Ernest K. Patton, Robert G. Graham, William H. Shaw, Thomas E. Graham, James B. Willson.

FIRST YEAR.—John Davidson McClure, Robert Stewart McElhinney.

Drs. Wilson and Wylie presented reports of their work and of the attendance of the students upon recitations. The Professors had held written examinations on all but two of the studies of the year and submitted these papers to the Board. They also conducted oral examinations before the Board, Dr. Willson in the Introduction to the Old Testament and Dr. Wylie in Homiletics.

In the afternoon and evening the Board met in the Central Allegheny Church and heard discourses from all the students. These sermons were carefully reviewed and passed upon by the members of the Board and of the Faculty, assisted by Revs. R. J. G. McKnight and M. M. Pearce who were invited in for the purpose. These discourses together with the reports of the Professors and the examinations, oral and written, were heartily approved by the Board. The reports have been published in the Christian Nation.

Mr. J. S. Tibby presented a report of the finances of the Seminary, showing them to be in good condition.

The six students who had completed the second year were certified to their respective Presbyteries for licensure.

We can but take to heart the absence this year of any graduating class. For many years our Seminary did not have the scarcity of candidates for the ministry that troubled other Churches, but now we have to lament the fewness of the young men who are willing to devote themselves to the preaching of the Gospel of Jesus Christ. Parents should dedicate their children, pastors should be recruiting officers for the ministry and young men of piety, learning and persuasive power should give themselves to this most noble and most necessary of all vocations, the preaching of Christ for the salvation of men.

The time for which William Esler, J. D. McAnlis, Walter T. Miller and W. J. Coleman were chosen members of the Board of Superintendents has expired and their successors should be elected at this meeting of Synod. The place of Dr. T. P. Stevenson is also to be filled.

A committee was appointed, Dr. T. H. Acheson, chairman, to prepare a minute on the death of Dr. Stevenson. This minute has been approved and is as follows:

Seminary Resolutions On The Death of Dr. T. P. Stevenson.

The Board of Superintendents of the Theological Seminary desires to put on record its sincere tribute of respect to the late Dr. Thomas Patton Stevenson, President of the Board, who died at his home in Philadelphia on October 1, 1912, after a pastorate over the First Philadelphia Congregation of almost fifty years.

So much has been said before this time concerning the character and work of our departed brother that this expression of regard can be appropriately brief. Dr. Stevenson was a man of fine physical presence; attractive personality; of marked culture; of great intellectual ability; of excellent scholarship; of extensive reading; and unfailing dignity and courtesy. He was deeply interested in the work of his Church, the growth of the kingdom of God, and the application of the principles of Christianity in the sphere of civil government. For many long years he advocated, from pulpit, rostrum, and press, with singular efficiency, the claims of Christ upon our land and upon all the nations of the earth. He felt that the times urgently called for the preaching of a social gospel; and for him the kingdom of Christ was not complete without national as well as individual and ecclesiastical submission to the Lord Jesus. He was truly a Christian statesman.

Dr. Stevenson became a member of this Board in 1881, and has since 1891 been its presiding officer. His experience and attainments well qualified him to co-operate in the work of such an institution; and he possessed a high conception of the training essential for a student in preparation for the gospel ministry. He was much interested in the Seminary, was faithful in attendance at the annual meetings of the trustees, and performed with earnestness and effectiveness his work as a member and President of the Board. We miss him as a co-worker, friend and brother.

R. M. SOMMERVILLE, Chairman.
W. J. COLEMAN, Secretary.

REPORT OF THE BOARD OF INCORPORATORS OF GENEVA COLLEGE.

To The Synod of the Reformed Presbyterian Church:

The Board of Corporators of Geneva College in submitting its Annual Report, makes mention of the great loss that Geneva College has sustained in the removal by death of the Honored President of the Board, the Reverend Thomas Patton Stevenson, D. D., LL. D.

Dr. Stevenson, a man of the highest literary culture, was devoted to the cause of education and was deeply interested in the welfare of Geneva College.

A committee has been appointed to draft resolution expressing our sense of the loss the College has sustained by his death.

The College sustained a great financial loss in the destruction by fire of the Science Hall. This building was secured in very trying times, through the devoted labors of Dr. W. P. Johnston, then the President of the Institution, and by the contributions of liberal minded patrons of the College. Weeks and months of labor were necessary to its erection. A few moments only were consumed in its almost complete destruction.

The providences of God are often mysterious, but when afterward they lead the people of God to increased devotion to the interests of the Kingdom, are real blessings. The Board of Corporators approve of the action of its Board of Trustees in the re-erection of the building. We cannot ask the children of the Church and others to patronize the College if we do not strive to afford them the best possible facilities for a thorough and practical education.

The Church is to be congratulated on the substantial and beautiful building erected, and we ask all friends to come to our aid in meeting the financial obligations incurred.

We also indorse the request of the Board of Trustees that $5,000 be the amount that the Synod shall ask the Church to contribute, and urge the church to give the full amount.

We also commend the financial agents of the College to the liberality of the Church when they solicit funds to liquidate the debt that rests upon the College.

We call the attention of the Church to the satisfactory work accomplished during the year: The administration, among the very best of the many years of the College existence; the religious spirit among the students; the literary standing of the College; the diligence of the professors in equipping themselves for service. And the diligence of the financial agents call for thankfulness.

For a fuller account of the year's work, we direct you to the report of the Board of Trustees, which has been approved by us and ordered transmitted to Synod.

The time for which Mr. Walter T. Miller, Synodical member of the Board, was elected has transpired, and his successor should be elected at this meeting of Synod.

Respectfully submitted.

REPORT OF BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF GENEVA COLLEGE.

To the Board of Corporators of Geneva College the Board of Trustees would respectfully report:

On Saturday morning, August 10, 1912, the Science Hall, a brick structure erected in 1896 at a cost of about $11,000 was destroyed by fire. While some of the biological apparatus was saved, and part of the walls of the building remained standing, the loss on building and contents, including the College Museum, was almost entire. The loss which the College thus sustained was heavy and particularly unfortunate in coming at the time when we had reached the point at which we could begin to reduce the debt without crippling the efficiency of the College. The College work in the departments occupying this building was somewhat hindered until the new Science Hall was completed, as other, and not very suitable quarters had to be temporarily provided for these departments. It laid upon us the necessity of rebuilding at once that the College might have proper facilities for work in this important department of Natural Science. The building and its contents were only partially insured. We estimate the financial loss exclusive of the insurance at $15,000. The origin of the fire is unknown. While the burning of the building was a heavy blow we doubt not that an all wise and overruling Providence will bring good from it to the College.

With this single exception we report a favorable year for the College in every respect. President George, who had leave of absence last year to pursue studies in Harvard University, returned to Geneva last summer and took up his accustomed duties as President at the opening of the fall term. The Board, the Faculty and the student body welcomed him back. He returned to the College after a very hard year's study, better than ever fitted for the duties of his responsible position. In this connection we wish to commend the members of the Faculty for the advance work they are taking along the lines of their teaching. This includes practically every member of the faculty. Miss McClintock, teacher of modern languages, spent last year studying in Europe. Prof Patton, Professor of Natural Science, who spent last summer in the University of Chicago, expects to continue his work there this coming summer. Prof. Colwell has also been taking advanced work in physics in the University ot Chicago. Prof. H. H. Wylie has leave of absence this coming year to take up advanced work along the line of his department.

Both the President and the Faculty in their annual report to the Board remark on the excellent spirit and good order of the student body. The President says, "The entire atmosphere of the place has been in keeping with what a College should be." On every hand the spirit of seriousness and loyal co-operation prevailed. The abandonment of the Preparatory Department had not a little to do with the new spirit. Students seem more mature and conduct themselves with dignity and decorum."

The Faculty report says: "The discipline of the school has been excellent in every respect. There have been no breaches of College rules by the students as a whole and no individual infractions have been reported to the faculty. In the chapel, halls and classrooms the students have been courteous and considerate in their demeanor to one another and to the faculty. The College spirit has been the best in years."

In reference to class room work, President George says: "With a force of strong teachers the class room work has been of a high

order." The faculty report says: "The class room work of the great majority of the students has been of a very high order. Lessons have been prepared with regularity and a keen intellectual interest has been manifested in the vital work of the College. Geneva has a student body which will compare very favorably with any institution of the kind in Pennsylvania."

The students have taken the same keen interest in debating as heretofore. Two debating teams were chosen to represent Geneva in Inter-Collegiate Debates. One of these teams won from Mt. Union. The other lost to Muskigum. In the Tri-State Oratorical Contest held at Geneva in which six colleges participated, Mr. Chester Lewis, Geneva's representative, took second place.

The Glee Club, whose good work was noted in last year's report, has more than maintained its reputation this year. It has given a large number of concerts in Western Pennsylvania, in Ohio and West Virginia. It has done much to place the College in a favorable light among those from whom she draws a large number of her students.

The department of Physical Education was this year put under an instructor who gave almost his entire time to this work. Classes for both young men and young women were held in the Gymnasium through the winter months.

The religious welfare of the students has been looked after as carefully as in former years. Prof Wylie's Bible Class for students continues to have a good attendance and a gratifying interest on the part of many. The Y. W. C. A. and Y. M. C. A. have weekly meetings as heretofore and have also rendered a good service in the social life of the College. A Mission Study Class was conducted weekly for part of the year. The attendance of the students upon preaching services has been looked after. A number of the students are engaged in Mission work.

The attendance for the year in the various departments is as follows:

College Students	129
Piano Students	70
Violin Students	18
Vocal Students	33
Oratory Students	20
Art Students	10
Total	280
Counted twice	24
Total	256
Summer School Students (1912)	119
Total	375

The graduating class numbers 22. Of this number 11 receive the degree A. B.; 3 the degree B. S. The others are graduates from the departments of music or oratory.

The only change in the teaching force this coming year, will be in the department of Physical Education. Miss Alvaretta Jamison will have charge of the girls' classes in the Gymnasium and will also fill the position of Librarian. Mr. Brainerd Metheny, son of the late Dr. Metheny, will have charge of the young men's classes in the gymnasium and also of the College teams.

As we have said the burning of the Science Hall necessitated the erection of a new Science Hall. The building was completed April 1. It is a beautiful, substantial, fire-proof building, the walls of buff brick, the floors, ceilings and basement of concrete, the roof of red tile, which matches that of the new W. Pollock Johnston gymnasium. The physical, chemical and biological laboratories, and class rooms of the departments of mathematics and natural science are in this building. With the insurance of $1,500 on the contents of the old building and $1,000 as a gift from J. B. Findley of Pittsburg, for laboratory equipment, the laboratory equipment of the new building is superior to that of most colleges of our class. The cost of the building was $16,505.10.

The year has been one of marked improvement in the physical equipment of the college. We mention only the most important improvements:

1. The new porch extending across the entire front of the dormitory, and adding much to the utility and beauty of this building.
2. The new Science Hall with the new laboratories and equipments.
3. Papering the Dormitory rooms, and new rugs for rooms and halls of Dormitory.
4. In the main building extensive repairs have been made:
   a. New floors were laid in recitation rooms.
   b. The entire building was renovated and walls and ceilings of recitation rooms, halls and library calcimined.
5. The entire campus has been graded and seeded.
6. Cement walks have been laid on the Campus.
7. Two fire plugs were installed on the College grounds, a standpipe reaching to the third floor with hose connections on each floor was installed in the main building, and sufficient hose purchased to reach all the college buildings.
6. The fire protection on the main building, the gymnasium and dormitory and their contents, were increased $12,250. We now carry insurance amounting to $70,250.

Dr. Johnston reports having secured for the College in funds during the year, $3,016.80. Of this amount $2,000 is for endowment and the remainder for the Science Hall and current fund. He also secured the guarantee of $1,000 in a will to the College. In addition to this work in securing funds Dr. Johnston, by his work in the summer months secured a good number of students for the College. One of the scholarships of $1,000 was given by Henry Wallace, an old time friend of Dr. Johnston, and is known as the Dr. W. P. Johnston scholarship.

Rev. Robert Clarke made his best record this year, in the amount of cash turned in since he has been in the employ of the College. He turned in during the year in cash $7,937.60; in donations of furniture and materials he secured what he estimates at $1,760.05. This makes a total of $9,687.65. We are persuaded that the estimate on furniture and materials is very low. Mr. Clarke has purchased a large amount of material for the College, which he almost invariably gets at cost. In this way he saves the College thousands of dollars. The larger part of the cash turned in by Mr. Clarke was for the gymnasium account. In addition to his working of raising funds, he spent part of last summer in canvassing for students, and gave no small proportion of the year to overseeing the erection of the new Science Hall and the grading of the Campus, and other like work about the College. He has in this way rendered the Col-

lege most efficient service. We wish to commend both Mr. Clarke, and Dr. Johnston for the faithful, efficient and very much needed service they are rendering the College.

Had it not been for the loss of the Science Hall we would have been able to report considerable decrease this year in the indebtedness. As it is we have to report a slight increase. The burning of the Science Hall turned the attention of our financial representatives away from collecting money for the current account debt and also occupied considerable of their time in overseeing the erection of the new building. The debt in the current account at the close of the year was $18,359.68, an increase of $1,686.26 over last year. We call attention to the extensive improvements above mentioned, the funds for which, with the exception of those for the Science Hall is $7,184.04. As this last debt was incurred within the year, we added it to the increase in the current account debt, and the total is $8,875.30. As over against this increase we set the following items: representing decrease in indebtedness and increase in college funds:

1. The dormitory note of $967.00 cancelled.
2. The Gymnasium account reduced $2,982.36.
3. The endowment notes account reduced $631.80.
4. Funds on hand for laboratory equipment$934.70.
5. Increase in endowment funds, $1,000.

Total $6,508.75.

This is $2,276.35 short of the above increase in indebtedness.

We have now reached the point at which we believe there will be a material reduction in the expenses for improvements and repairs. As was stated in former reports, it has been the policy of the Board to put the College on a first class basis even though it would involve us in debt for the present. We feel that we have almost attained the goal at which we have been aiming for some years past. While there will always be necessity for improvement and repairs yet for a number of years to come we do not believe they will be anything like as extensive as they have been for a number of years. With the united and earnest financial and moral support of the church and all others interested in the College, we believe our present debt can be cancelled in a number of years and at the same time the College receive such support as will keep her abreast of other Colleges in the progress that is being made in these days.

Grateful to God for his mercies, we make the following requests:

1. That the College be granted a liberal share of any funds at the disposal of Synod.

2. That owing to the disaster met in the loss of the Science Hall, the Church collection for this year be $5,000 instead of the usual amount, $3,000.

President George and Dr. W. P. Johnston have been appointed to represent the College before the Synod.

R. C. WYLIE, President.
R. H. MARTIN, Secretary.

W. G. Robb, W. H. George, R. H. Martin, J. D. McAnlis and M. S. McMillan were excused from further attendance on the sessions of the court.

Stated Clerk reported. Report was received and adopted, and is as follows:

REPORT OF STATED CLERK.

Statistics from May 1, 1912, to May 1, 1913.

There are reported this year eleven Presbyteries, 110 congregations, 7 Mission Stations, 144 Ministers, 10 Licentiates, one of whom is a Greek and one a Syrian; 8 students of Theology, 6 of whom have been licensed, 460 Elders, 363 Deacons, 9015 Communicants, an increase of 497 and a decrease of 689, 254 Baptisms, 7989 in attendance at Sabbath School and 1,670 in attendance at the Young Peoples' Societies.

Total contributions $228,347 or $26.84 per member. Syrian Mission Contributions, $17,016.42 and Missions in China, $15,261.87 or $3,69 per member for Foreign Missions, an increase of 10 cents per member over last year.

CONGREGATIONS.—83 have pastors, 27 are without pastors. Detroit, Michigan, congregation was disorganized May 6, 1913. Hemet, California Mission Station was organized October 16, 1912.

MINISTERS.—There are 144 ministers. There were 9 installations, 2 ordinations and installations. 11 dissolutions of the pastoral relation; 5 pastors have double charges. G. A. Edgar was installed pastor of St. Louis, Mo., congregation, September 10, 1912. J. D. Edgar installed at Stafford, Kans., Oct. 23, 1912. D. H. Elliott, installed at Winchester, Kans., Oct. 15, 1912. A. A. Wylie installed at Syracuse, N. Y., July 2, 1912. A. A. Samson installed at Second New York, Jan. 7, 1913. R. J. Dodds installed at Coldenham, N. Y., Jan. 15, 1913. S. M. Morrow installed at Alexandria, Pa., Dec. 5, 1912. J. G. Reed installed pastor at Regina, Canada, May 9, 1913. George S. Coleman was ordained and installed pastor at Hopkinton, Iowa congregation, Feb. 7, 1913. F. F. Reade was ordained and installed pastor of Greeley, Colorado, congregation, Sept. 3, 1912. The pastoral relation between R. M. Sommerville and Second New York congregation was dissolved Sept. 17, 1912. S. M. McNaugher and First Boston, Mass., congregation, Sept. 17, 1912. W. G. Robb, Bovina, N. Y., congregation, April 14, 1913. W. C. McClurkin and Lisbon, N. Y., congregation April 8, 1913. D. H. Elliott, Denison, Kans., congregation, October 2, 1912. J. Boggs Dodds and Sterling, Kans., congregation, Nov. 13, 1912. A. A. Samson and Topeka, Kans., congregation, Jan. 1, 1913. J. M. Johnston and Superior, Neb., congregation, April 30, 1913. W. S. Fulton and Church Hill, Ill., congregation, Sept. 11, 1912. G. R. Steele and Bloomington, Ind., congregation, Sept. 11, 1912. M. A. Gault and Oakdale, Ill., congregation, April 9, 1913.

T. P. Stevenson, pastor of First Philadelphia, Pa., congregation died in Philadelphia, Penn., Oct. 1, 1912. W. M. George died in Montclair, N. J., Sept. 29, 1912.

Of the ministers without charges, 3 are Stated Supplies, ten Foreign Missionaries, 4 in Reform Work, 1 in Jewish Mission work, 1 in Sabbath School work, 2 in Witness Bearing work, 3 in Home Mission work, 5 at Geneva College, 2 at Theological Seminary, 8 in Secular Callings and 13 unable to engage actively in the ministry.

COMMUNICANTS.—The total number is 9015. Colorado Presbytery reports a net increase of 8; Iowa Presbytery of 36; Kansas of 27, and Pacific Coast of 27; Syrian Missions of 28; Illinois Presbytery reports a net decrease of 32; N. B. and N. S. Presbytery of 5; New York of 146, 125 of these by purging the roll of First Boston congregation; Philadelphia of 4; Pittsburgh of 65; Ohio of 31, and Rochester of 7.

In the home Church there are 8505 members; in the foreign Church, 510. Twenty-nine congregations had not a single accession. There was a net loss of 192 in America; 125 of this decrease is to be accounted for by purging the roll of First Boston Congregation, from which the largest decrease is reported. Second New York reports the largest accession, viz., 24. 58 congregations contributed to all the schemes of the Church.

CONTRIBUTIONS.—Increased contributions are reported for the Syrian Mission of $941. Home Missions, $1722; Southern Missions $834. Jewish Missions, $241. Theological Seminary, $27. Witness Bearing, $429. Aged Ministers, $449. Widows and Childrens, Deceased Ministers, $1200. Salaries of Ministers, $3185. A decrease of contributions to Missions in China, $530. Indian Missions, $20. Church Erection, $1565. National Reform, $1691. The number of manses is 27. Certified copies of the minutes of 1910 were received from the Clerk of Synod and placed in Synod's trunk. Statistical blanks for Clerks of Presbytery, are exhausted. We recommend that a committee be appointed with full power to act, to prepare and have printed a more satisfactory and complete list.

Respectfully submitted,

(Signed.) JAS. S. TIBBY, Stated Clerk.

The nominating of the committee to prepare statistical blanks was referred to the Committee on Nominations.

Treasurer of Literary Fund reported. Report was received and adopted.

The Committee on Young People's Societies reported. Report was received and adopted and is as follows:

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON YOUNG PEOPLE'S SOCIETIES.

Your Committee would respectfully report:

We commend our young people for their loyal response to the recommendations made by the last Synod. Reports show that all of the books recommended last year have been used, except the one on "finance." The books on Church History, Bible Study, and Personal Work, were read and studied, in a number of societies. Classes on "How to do personal work" are established in at least 15 of our congregations.

We commend our young people upon their interest and activity and loyalty to Christ and the church. In fact, we find that if our young people are not interested in the claims of Christ and the church, it is largely due to the fact that their leaders are not interested. If our young people are not active in the work of Christ and the Church, it is largely due to the fact that their leaders have not directed their talents and powers; if our young people are not loyal to Christ and principles of covenanted Zion, it is largely due to the fact that their leaders are not loyal.

We regret that we do not find our young men as interested and active and loyal as our young women. The larger part of the work in the prayer meetings and elsewhere is done by the young women. This is a serious, though not altogether a new problem. This is one reason for the lack of young men in our Seminary. Our young men should be urged and encouraged to take their part in Christian service.

There are three things that are of great moment in respect to the lives of our young people: Personal piety, Bible study, and the practice of prayer. What our young people need is a strong incentive for these things. The incentive is found in the work of saving lost souls, especially by the method of "personal work." When we have interested and directed our young people in this great work, we have solved the problems of worldliness, lack of interest in the Bible and the neglect of prayer. Personal work has a mighty reflex power.

Personal work incites to holy living. The young person who sincerely tries to lead another person to faith in Jesus Christ realizes that one's own life must be consistent with the life and claims of Christ. There is no anxiety on the part of pastor or parents in regard to the personal life of those who are anxious for, and who are striving to save the souls of others. Such young people are not guilty of the sin of worldliness. They have no desire for the card game, the dance or the theatre. They are seeking to know and to obey the mind of Christ.

Personal work incites to intelligent and faithful Bible study. The Word is given to reveal the plan of salvation to the lost, and one cannot engage long in the work of soul winning without feeling the necessity of studying the Word,—and studying the Word to get out of it just what God put in it.

Personal work incites to prayer. Books on prayer are helpful and have their place, but it is when our young people strive to lead others into the Kingdom that they go to God upon their knees in prayer. It is when they try to win men, that they realize their need of the Spirit of God to overcome the power of the evil one in the heart and mind of the unbeliever, and that that need is supplied by definite, earnest, believing prayer.

We recommend:

1. That pastors and elders make a special effort to enlist the young men of the congregations in the meetings for prayer and in definite work for Christ.
2. That classes be established for personal work, and that where classes are already established that they be continued.
3. That for the Sabbath, commonly called "Easter Sabbath," the following subject be considered: "Individual Responsibility for Individual Souls." John 1:42.

That for the Sabbath commonly called "Christmas Sabbath," the following subject be considered: "The Reward of Soul Winning." Dan. 12:3.

4. That the following subjects be considered on the second Sabbaths of January, April, July, October, 1914, respectively:

Second Sabbath of January—"Matter of Praise." The Psalms. Col. 3:16.

Second Sabbath of April—"Manner of Praise. Singing from the heart." Eph. 5:19.

Second Sabbath of July—"The Open Life." John 18:20.

Second Sabbath of October—"The Separated Life." 2 Cor. 6:14-18.

ROBERT PARK,
A. A. SAMSON,
T. M. SLATER.

Committee on Home Missions reported. Report received and adopted, and is as follows:

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON HOME MISSIONS.

The Committee on Home Missions would respectfully report:

Three papers have been referred to us as follows:

Report of the Jewish Mission Board, the report of the Home Missionary Secretary, and the report of the Central Board of Missions. These reports have been read in your hearing.

We would commend the Boards for the faithfulness with which they have supervised the work under their care. We would also commend the Home Mission Secretary for the efficient service rendered in this capacity.

We deeply regret the failing health of Mr. Feursohn, and Miss Mary F. Bell, which makes it necessary for them to lay down the work in the Jewish Mission. The services of Mr. and Mrs. Feursohn and Miss Bell have been greatly appreciated by the church. Our prayer is that the Board will be divinely guided in the choice of new workers.

We are grateful to God for sparing the life of Mrs. Carithers of the Indian Mission. We praise Him for her presence at this meeting of Synod. We feel that her personality and prayers have had a leavening effect upon our assembly.

We would recommend:

1. That J. S. Thompson be reappointed as Home Mission Secretary, and that in case the work may not require his full time he be free to accept other work for that portion of his time.

2. That Synod approve the action of the Central Board in paying suplements to East End, Portland, Brookland and Quinter congregations, which by mistake,di d not appear in the minutes of Synod.

3. That the Clerk of Synod call attention of the Presbyteries who have not appointed Presbyterial Home Mission Secretaries and requesting them to make such appointments in compliance with last year's report.

4. That J. C. McFeeters be heard in behalf of the Jewish Mission; W. J. Sanderson and S. F. Kingston in behalf of the Southern Mission; J. S. Thompson and W. W. Carithers in behalf of the Indian Mission. And T. H. Acheson and A. A. Samson in behalf of the work of the Central Board.

(Signed)

D. H. ELLIOTT,
R. H. MARTIN,
O. F. THOMPSON,
E. M. McCONAUGHY,
G. G. MCLAURY.

REPORT OF HOME MISSION SECRETARY.

This report deals chiefly with the pioneer work in our Home Mission field. The work was carried forward much along the same lines as reported a year ago. It embodied chiefly four things.

First. INVESTIGATION.—In this the aim was to locate and keep in touch with scattered Covenanters, chiefly throughout Western Canada and the western part of our own country, and to investigate those localities where there seemed possibilities that work might ultimately be inaugurated, and to concentrate as far as possible these scattered and migrating members of our church. A considerable part of this work was carried on by correspondence, and almost a thousand letters were written during the year. If pastors and others knowing of Covenanters who are living away from any of our

congregations, or of those contemplating changes of location into the newer parts of our country or Canada would show a little more interest in putting the Secretary in touch with such persons more might be accomplished in this work. Some have responded to the request for such information, but many have failed to give the assistance that they might. A few of the pastors of our church in Ireland and Scotland have furnished the Secretary with the names and addresses of members who have come from those countries, or who are contemplating coming. This co-operation has been valuable, and is highly appreciated. The appeal to our own pastors for co-operation in this work is renewed.

Second. PREACHING.—Opportunities were found for preaching every Sabbath of the year, in most cases in connection with the pioneer work of the Church. Some weeks were spent in the work in Regina during the early part of the Synodical year. A call for a pastor was moderated, which was accepted, and the congregation now has a settled pastor. This congregation is now on a self-supporting basis, though it is only two years since its organization. The cultivation of this field was a wise expenditure of Home Mission funds, and demonstrates the possibilities of such work, as well as vindicates the judicious expenditure of work and money in new and promising fields. About one-half of the year was spent in preaching in what was new territory for the Covenanter church.

Third. ORGANIZATION.—As a result of the effort to gather Covenanters together in new and promising points two new mission stations have been established during the year. The Covenanters in Winnipeg have been meeting for most of the year on Sabbath for prayermeeting and they have also continued a mide-week service. A petition was presented to the Pacific Coast Presbytery asking that they be organized as a mission station. This was signed by seventeen members, six adherents, and ten children. The request was granted by the Presbytery and regular work it is hoped, will be inaugurated in this field very soon after Synod. The field is a most promising one. Work was begun at Hemet, Calif., in September, and it was taken under the care of the Pacific Coast Presbytery at its fall meeting as a mission station. The work has made good progress, and a congregation is to be organized as soon after Synod as it can be accomplished. The congregation will have about thirty members at its organization. Two other Canadian points, Edmonton and Amysk, have been recently visited by a representative of the Pacific Coast Presbytery, and arrangements are being made for entering these fields if sufficient encouragement is found. Robstown, Texas, is another field that offers promise to Covenanters who are living in or seeking to locate in the Gulf Coast country. The Church needs to give careful attention in her Home Mission work to those newer localities as one source of the Church's hope of growth, and that she may have her part in moulding the life of these newer communities.

Fourth. EVANGELISM.—In harmony with the recommendation of Synod the Permanent Committee on Evangelistic work arranged to use the Secretary in connection with their work for three months preceding the meeting of Synod. The work was begun early in February, and continued for three full months. Ten congregations, mostly in Colorado and Kansas Presbytery were visited, and services ranging from two weeks to five days in length were held. In most cases the services closed with the communion. During this campaign ninety-six sermons were preached, and about half that number of shorter addresses delivered. The pastors and members of the con-

gregations were diligent in personal efforts, both in preparation for these services, and during their continuance. Two things were aimed at chiefly in these services, the quickening and deepening of the spiritual life of the members of the congregations, and the reaching of the unsaved with the gospel message. It is believed that under the blessing of God the labor has not been in vain in the Lord.

The value of the work committed to the Secretary could be greatly increased by a fuller co-operation on the part of many of the pastors. This they could do by a little more thoughtfulness in furnishing the Secretary with information that would be of assistance to him in his work, and by using their influence with those whom they may be able to influence and who are either away from the church, or likely to locate where they will not have the church, to seek such location as will give them church privileges, and the opportunity to be a positive part of the working force of the Covenanter Church. Without other growing lines of work, and the increasing demands that are being made upon our people in connection with these, we must strengthen our base of supplies, and one of the ways in which we will do this will be by enlarging our Home Mission work, by more determined efforts to hold in the active service of the church all our members, and to prevent the losses that we have been suffering for so many years by this constant process of leakage that has been going on.

We gratefully acknowledge the goodness of God throughout the year, and the evidences of his favor upon our efforts, and also the assistance that we have received from many brethren in the church, both pastors and members. We bespeak your continued and increased interest in this most important department of the work of the Church, and your prayers for its continued success and growing influence.

Respectfully submitted,
JOHN S. THOMPSON, Home Mission Secretary.

REPORT OF CENTRAL BOARD OF MISSIONS.

The Central Board of Missions would respectfully report that during the year twelve monthly meetings were held. The work of the Missions committed to our care has received careful over-sight. In order to suit the convenience of the majority of the Board the time of meeting was changed to the third Monday of each month at 10:30 a. m. The attendance of the members, except in cases where sickness or attention to pastoral duties has interefered, has been good.

Domestic Missions.

The Board has distributed the supplement to the salaries of pastors of congregations that receive aid in accordance with the action of last Synod. The Board would call the attention of Synod to the fact that the minutes of last Synod do not record the amounts granted to the East End, Portland, Brookland, and Quinter congregations. It was the unanimous opinion of the members of the Board, who followed the course of the Mission Conference and the discussion of the report of the Conference on the floor of Synod that East End was voted $200, Portland $650.00, Brookland $200.00 and Quinter $396.00. The Board felt that it would be an injustice to the pastors of these congregations to allow them to suffer financial loss because of an error in the minutes and has therefore distributed the sums named to these congregations. We request the Synod to approve of this action.

The receipts for the year have been $11,752.66; the expenditures, $13,413.05; balance overdrawn, $1,660.39. We request for this fund an appropriation of $12,000.00.

Southern Missions.

The report of the Southern Mission is encouraging. Knox Academy and the school at East Selma opened September 30, 1912; the schools at Pleasant Grove and Valley Creek one month later. The health of the teachers was good and no time was lost through sickness.

The enrollment at Knox for the year was 584. A larger number could not be cared for with the present equipment. More of the students were able to attend the school throughout the term than in former years. This course means a large number of promotions.

The religious side of the training has been strongly emphasized. Temperance work has been carried on and several contests have been held. One half hour each day is spent in Bible study. The pupils have memorized and recited on an average of 307 Bible verses and 122 questions in the Catechism.

The superintendent preached every other Sabbath evening in our own church in Selma; at least once a month in Valley Creek and once a month in Pleasant Grove and in other places as opportunity has offered.

Through the kindness of friends, some of them in the white community about Knox Academy, $106.00 worth of instruments was provided for the Band. We are pleased to report that the Girls' Industrial Building, a brick structure, costing with furnishings over $2500.00 has been erected, equipped and paid for. The Women's Presbyterial Missionary Society of the Pittsburg Presbytery assumed the responsibility for the building and the building was dedicated on Feb. 14, 1913, and has greatly facilitated the industrial work among the girls.

The industrial work among the boys has also been developed and systematized more than in any past year. This department is still under the efficient management of Prof. Bottoms.

An effort has also been made to touch and transform the home life of the families in the community. The teachers have all given much time to visiting in the homes of the pupils.

The agricultural work in connection with Pleasant Grove has received much attention. Mr. Kynett who has charge of this work received first premium of $50.00 at the Central Alabama Fair last October for the best farm exhibit in the negro department. On the whole the work in Selma has, in the opinion of the workers been the best in the history of the Mission.

The receipts for the year have been $10,673.60; the expenditures $8,877.68; balance, $1,795.92.

We request for this fund an appropriation of $6,500.00.

Indian Mission.

The work at the Indian Mission has been done in the same faithful and efficient manner as in years past.

The number of children enrolled was 44. This is less than in previous years and is to be accounted for by the opening of public schools which the Indians are permitted to attend. The children under the care of the Mission School not only made good progress in their school year but committed a total of 34,557 verses from the Bible and 1,735 questions from the shorter Catechism. An average of 767 verses and 38 Catechism questions. Miss Emma M. Farland, who is employed by the Government as Field Matron, made her

headquarters at the Mission and gave valuable service in religious and social work among the Indians.

The work on the Sabbath consists of Sabbath School in the morning, a sermon to the Indians in the afternoon, a Sabbath School for the whites and a sermon in English for both Indians and whites. Meetings on the Sabbath were also held during the summer mo ths, in a neglected community about eight miles from the Mission. These meetings were held in a grove on the bank of the Cache Creek.

Other meetings were held at Mt. Scott when workers could be spared to take charge of them.

A call was made out for Mr. Geo. Coleman, licentiate, and was declined by him.

The year has been quite favorable and the receipts from the farm have been up to expectations.

A change in the nature of the work is contemplated. Certain conditions have made it necessary to decide at this time whether the school conducted by the Mission is to be continued. We recommend that the matter be presented t othe Synod for decision.

Receipts for the year	$10,748.65
Expenditures	8,938.33
Balance	1,810.32
We ask for appropriation of	6,500.00

Home Missions.

The Home Mission Secretary, J. S. Thompson, has labored faithfully and continuously during the past year. The work of the secretary consists in caring for a large correspondence with scattered Covenanters more particularly in the West and Northwest.

In the cultivation of this work the secretary has visited Winnipeg and Hemet and labored for some time in each place. He has kept in close communication with Covenanters in Edmonton and Amysk in Canada and Roberton in Texas. Personal attention was given to the work at Hemet for almost five months. The results have been gratifying. Hemet has been granted an organization by the Pacific Coast Presbytery and there is every reason to believe that within a comparatively short time the congregation will become self-supporting.

Steps have been taken to open the work in Winnipeg. This city is the national gateway to the northwest, and those coming to America from Ireland and Scotland pass through Winnipeg. Many find work there and remain. Those of our members who are interested in the work there are very anxious to secure preaching. They have kept up prayer meeting on Sabbath and Wednesday evening. Owen F. Thompson has been appointed to work in Winnipeg for six months and funds are to be placed in the hands of the Board for the further development of the field work, if the results seem to warrant it.

The secretary has also given some time to the work planned by the evangelistic committee. The success of this part of his work has been reported by the Evangelistic Committee.

The financial returns during the time devoted to Evangelistic effort were sufficient to pay the salary and expenses of the secretary for the part of the time that was occupied in this way.

W. J. Sanderson and S. F. Kingston have been appointed to represent the Southern Mission.

T. H. Acheson and A. A. Samson have been appointed to present the work of the Board. We recommend that J. S. Thompson be continued as Home Mission Secretary under the same terms.

The time for which T. H. Acheson, R. J. G. McKnight, S. G. Connor, John Yates, J. C. Slater were elected, has expired, and their successors should be chosen.

Respectfully submitted,
R. J. G. McKNIGHT, Corresponding Secretary.

REPORT OF SPECIAL COMMITTEE ON PROPOSED CHANGES IN PLAN OF WORK IN THE INDIAN MISSION.

Your Committee on certain proposed changes in the Indian Mission would respectfully report:

No backward step is proposed in our work among the Indians.

Changes in conditions may necessitate changes in the methods of work. Owing to the rapid development of the country it became apparent years ago, that conditions which called for a Mission school would in time pass away. That time seems near at hand.

The public school advantages in that locality have become highly developed. A new school building has been erected within two and one-half miles of the mission. The consolidated district covers thirty-six square miles.

The structure is modern in every particular. It contains four rooms below, an auditorium above and two additional rooms to be furnished as soon as conditions require. More than one hundred and fifty students have been enrolled in this institution and a full high school curriculum is being arranged. Wagons are used to convey students to and from school.

The state of Oklahoma grants to the Indians the same educational advantages that it offers to the whites.

Furthermore, there is an advantage in the association of the Indians and the whites, such as is offered in the public school. They must live together, and to live harmoniously they must become acquainted in youth. The public school will serve to leaven the races.

The continuance of the mission school will necessitate large additional expense in the repairing of the boys' dormitory and in the enlargement of the building for sleeping quarters, to conform to the present governmental requirements.

With these conditions in view, the workers after continued prayer and consultation have been unanimous in the opinion that the mission school should be no longer continued.

Two difficulties, however, present themselves. The first is that the religious instructions imparted in our mission school must necessarily cease in this capacity.

To overcome this difficulty it is proposed to employ field matrons to regularly visit the homes of the people and impart religious instruction.

The second difficulty is that since the Senior Missionary left home the Indians forwarded a request of twenty-five Indians, members of the Cache Creek Congregation, that the school be continued, on the ground that they desire their young children, many of whom cannot speak English, to be instructed in our Mission School.

With these conditions confronting us we would recommend:

1. That the higher room of the mission school be discontinued, and that the primary department be retained for the present.

2. We would recommend to the Central Board that one field matron be appointed to visit the homes to impart religious instruction.

3. That W. W. Carithers and J. S. Thompson be heard in connection with this report.

D. H. ELLIOTT,
J. C. MCFEETERS,
J. S. THOMPSON,
W. R. STERRETT,
JAS. TORRENS.

REPORT OF JEWISH MISSION BOARD.

The Board of the Jewish Mission respectfully reports:

The work of the Lord in this part of His vineyard cannot be indicated by figures. Yet as figures may show, in measure, the activities of the Mission we give them to the public.

The Sabbath evening services have been attended by an aggregate of 700 persons; the highest attendance being 25.

The enrollment of Sabbath School children has been 145; the attendance varying from 15 to 45.

The number of men and women attending night school aggregates 1100.

The number of families visited by the Missionaries, and in their homes hearing the Gospel message, 900.

The Jewish visitors, who have come to the Mission for quiet conversation concerning the Gospel of Christ, number 200.

Bibles distributed during the year numbered 55, and New Testaments 86. The distribution of Gospel tracts amounted to 500.

One mother in Israel, Mrs. Anna Fisher, and her child, Florence, were baptized in the Second Church of the Covenanters. Mrs. Fisher is a professional nurse. Her decision for Christ has given her much satisfaction.

The number of Israelites reached by the Gospel directly or indirectly through this Mission, and the work of saving grace wrought in their hearts by the Holy Spirit, cannot be estimated; but we have faith, that in the day of revelation of our Lord Jesus Christ, at least some of these hearers of the Word, will appear in Glory, having washed their robes and made them white in the blood of the Lamb.

During the year Mr. Feuersohn has been much enfeebled in health, by a lingering ailment; yet he continued his labors in the Lord until the last meeting o fthe Board. At that time, May 8th, he tendered his resignation, feeling that his strength was not sufficient for continuing the work, and being urged by his physicians to lay aside every burden of care for the sake of recuperation. The Board, accepting the resignation, adopted the following resolution:

We hereby desire to express our sympathy with our Missionary Rev. E. J. Feuersohn, in his long continued illness, and pray that the Lord may speedily restore him for further work in His Kingdom. We appreciate the service he has rendered in this Mission, being diligent and faithful in striving to bring the Hebrews to the knowledge of Jesus Christ. We recognize also with gratitude Mrs. Feuersohn's efficient help in this work of the Gospel.

The resignation was accepted, with reluctance and regret.

Miss Mary F. Bell, also, on account of ill health, felt impelled to offer her resignation, which was likewise accepted. The Board bears testimony to her devotion to the Mission, and the faithfulness and ability with which she served in her special department, the girls' Sewing School. Her associate in the work, Miss Mary Cupples, discontinued her services at the same time.

The Mission has urgent need of a minister for the general work, and a teacher for the Sewing School.

The Board, thankful for the support granted this Mission in the past, goes forward confident that the Lord Jesus, and His people, will not fail to supply all that is needed for the work.

The estimate of $2,500.00 is placed before the Church as the amount necessary for the work during the coming year, as it is planned at the present time.

Rev. T. P. Stevenson, D. D., a member of the Board, died October 1st, 1912. We recommend that Synod fill this vacancy by the choice of Rev. F. M. Wilson, Pastor of the Third Church of Philadelphia

The term for which Rev. R. C. Montgomery, D. D., S. A. S. Metheny, M. D. and John Buchanan were elected, has expired. Synod is hereby asked to have their successors elected.

Rev. J. C. McFeeters, D. D., was appointed to represent the Board on the floor of Synod.

Respectfully submitted,
J. C. MCFEETERS, President.
GEORGE A. CALDERWOOD, Secretary.

The following resolution was offered by J. M. Wylie, and adopted by the Synod: Resolved, That standing committees be directed to print their reports in the periodical of the church, at least one month before the meeting of Synod, and that Sessions appoint delegates to Synod in time for them to familiarize themselves with these reports.

Synod took recess until 1:30 o'clock.

Prayer by Thomas Patton.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

Same place, 1:30 p. m.

Synod reconvened at the above hour, and was led in prayer by John Martin.

The calling of the roll was dispensed with. Minutes of the morning session were read, corrected and approved.

Committee on Finance reported. The report was received and taken up item by item for adoption.

Items 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, were adopted.

Item 8 amended and adopted.

Items 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, adopted.

The report was adopted as a whole, and is as follows:

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON FINANCE.

The Committee on Finance would respectfully report:
The following papers have been referred to your committee:

1. The report of S. A. S. Metheny, treasurer of
   The Board of Foreign Missions,
   The Board of Church Erection,
   The Board of Jewish Missions.

2. The report of J. S. Tibby, treasurer of Synod's Board of Trustees.

3. Report of the R. P. Woman's Association, and of the treasurer of the Association.

4. Resolution with reference to balance in the South Carolina Cemetery Lot Fund.

5. Report of the Board of Control.

6. Bill for printing Order of Business.

7. Report of Board of Sustentation.

8. Financial items from report of Central Board of Missions, of the Witness Bearing Committee, and Board of Jewish Missions; from reports of Board of Superintendents of the Theological Seminary, of the Board of Trustees and Board of Corporators of Geneva College, the Permanent Committee on Evangelistic Work, of the Executive Commission of the Western Section of the Presbyterian Alliance.

9. Expenses of T. H. Acheson, delegate to the Executive Committee of the Temperance Federation.

10. Financial Item from report of Secretary for Young People's Societies.

We would offer the following recommendations:

1. That the synopsis and summaries of treasurers J. S. Tibby, and S. A. S. Metheny, and of the treasurer of the Reformed Presbyterian Woman's Association, together with the balance sheets, be published in the minutes.

2. That the treasurer of Synod's Board of Trustees be authorized to expend the balance of the South Carolina Cemetery Lot Fund in needed work to improve the lot.

3. That the bill for $3.50 for printing the Order of Business be paid out of the Literary Fund.

4. That the balance in the treasury of the Board of Sustentation, $545.22, to be turned into the treasury of the Domestic Mission Fund, to replace supplements advanced for pastors' salaries in Brooklyn, La Junta and Vernon.

5. That the customary amount of $40.00 be paid into the treasury of the Western Section of the Presbyterian Alliance from the Literary Fund.

6. That the expenses of T. H. Acheson, $16.00, incurred in attending the meeting of the Executive Committee of the Temperance Federation in Washington, D. C., be paid from the Literary Fund.

7. That the expenses of the Secretary of Young People's Societies in excess of his receipts, $61.93, be paid from the Literary Fund, and that the Young People's Societies be requested to make a contribution in the early fall for the expenses of this office.

8. That the Clerk of Synod be instructed to publish 3500 copies of the Minutes of the Synod of 1913 and place them in the hands of J. S. Tibby for distribution at 10c per copy, the deficit incurred, if any, to be paid out of the Literary Fund.

9. That the appropriations recommended by the Mission Conference be approved.

10. That $200.00 be appropriated for the use of the Permanent Committee on Evangelistic Work.

11. That the following appropriations be made to the various

schemes of the church, and that the dates appended be commended to those congregations which still adhere to the plan of taking special collections for these schemes:

Date	Scheme	Amount
June, 3d Sabbath	Students Aid	$ 1,500 00
July, 1st Sabbath	Aged Ministers, 3-8; Widows and Orphans 5-8	4,000 00
July, 3rd Sabbath	Aged People's Home	1,000 00
August, 1st Sabbath	Theological Seminary	4,000 00
August, 3rd Sabbath	Jewish Mission	2,500 00
September, 1st Sabbath	Southern Mission	6,500 00
September, 3rd Sabbath	Indian Mission	6,500 00
October, 1st Sabbath	Domestic Missions	15,000 00
November, 3rd Sabbath	Temperance	2,000 00
December, 1st Sabbath	Syrian Missions	30,000 00
January, 1st Sabbath	China Mission	20,000 00
February, 1st Sabbath	Witness Bearing	5,000 00
March, 1st Sabbath	Geneva College	9,000 00
April, 1st Sabbath	Church Erection	4,000 00

12. That the Mary J. Shields Bequest be divided as follows: Geneva College, Current Account, $500.00; Mission in China, $450.00.

13. That the proceeds from the sale of the Holmwood and Macedon Church buildings be turned into the treasury of the Board of Church Erection.

14. That Synod's Board of Trustees be directed to grant the petition of the Samuel M. Dickey Heirs.

15. That we note with pleasure the increasing number of congregations which are using the envelope system of weekly offerings, and the increasing contributions resulting therefrom. And we urge that the remaining congregations adopt this system at an early date.

Respectfully submitted,

D. C. MATHEWS,
R. A. BLAIR,
R. C. REED,
JAMES TORRENS,
J. W. HAYS.

The sum of $12,000 is the amount which Synod names as a guide to our people in their contributions to National Reform. The day for this collection is November 1st Sabbath.

J. S. TIBBY, Treasurer.

REPORT OF SYNOD'S BOARD OF TRUSTEES.

To The Moderator and Members of the Reformed Presbyterian Synod,
Dear Brethren:

Ever thankful to the Lord for His Goodness to us, we herewith submit our annual report, together with that of your Treasurer, for the year ending April 30, 1913.

First. Messrs. D. C. Martin, G. A. McKee and W. J. Ward, elected by you to serve on the Board for three years to June 15th, 1915, accepted their appointment.

Second. The following donations were received, viz.: Illinois Presbytery for Syrian Mission, $508.57, D. B. Willson for Aged Minister's Endowment Fund, $1,000.00.

Third. The following Bequests were received, viz.: John Black,

Morning Sun, Iowa, $950.00 and was distributed as follows: Domestic Mission, $475.00, Students Aid, $8.91; Aged Ministers, $8.91; Widows and Children of Deceased Ministers, $14.84; Aged People's Home, $5.95; Theological Seminary, $23.75; Jewish Mission, $14.84; Southern Mission, $38.59; Indian Mission, $38.59; Temperance 11.88; Syrian Mission, $118.75; China, $118.75; Witness Bearing, $29.68; Geneva College, $17.81; Church Erection, $23.75. Margaret Buchanan, Bequest, Philadelphia, Pa., of $731.36. Syrian Mission received $146.28; China, Indian, Southern and Aged People's Home, $146.27 each. Robert W. and Mary J. Campbell, Bequest, Baxter, Pa., $1,016.67. Indian and Southern Missions, $213.15 each; Jewish Mission, $82.00; Levant, $254.18 and China $254.19. Rebecca J. Miller, Bequest, New York City, $2,800.00. China Mission received $1,000.00; Mersine, $500.00; Latakia Hospital $300.00; Indian, Southern, Jewish, Suadia and Cyprus Missions $200.00 each. Mary J. Shields Bequest, Morning Sun, Iowa, $950.00 distribution by Synod.

Fourth. The Holmwood, Kansas, church building was sold on May 20th, 1912, for $214.50 and the amount is at the disposal of Synod. The Macedon, Ohio, church building was sold April 25th, 1913 for $117.50 and this amount is also for distribution by Synod.

Fifth. Samuel M. Dickey, a member of the Topeka, Kansas, congregation, in his will gave a life interest in two houses worth $4,000.00 in all, to his wife and invalid daughter. At their death, after a small bequest to one son, the remainder is to be divided equally between a second son, Dr. E. S. Dickey and the Reformed Presbyterian Church. In case the said Dr. E. S. Dickey dies before the wife and invalid daughter, the entire estate is to go to the Reformed Presbyterian Church. The heirs petitioned Synod's Board to give a quit claim deed to them, on the ground, that through neglect the Testator had not deeded the two houses to the wife and daughter. Your Board refers the matter to Synod for instruction, as we have no authority to grant the request of the Petitioners.

Sixth. The adjustment of the claim of J. R. Cannon for reimbursement for taxes paid by him on Greensburg Church property was left to this Board by last Synod. After careful investigation, the Board can not see its way clear to reimburse him for the money paid for taxes on this Church property.

Seventh. The aggregate amount of Bonds, Mortgages, Real Estate and other Assets held by your Board is $633,488.10. Out of the earnings for the year closed, the Board declared a dividend of 5½ per cent on Endowments of $432,374.70.

Eighth. The amount of profits from the David Gregg Fund is $8,521.95.

Ninth. The Books and Accounts of your Board were audited by W. G. Miller, Expert Auditor, and found correct as per certificate attached to the Report of the Treasurer.

Tenth. The term for which Messrs. J. A. McAteer, J. H. McBurney and J. S. Tibby were made members of your Board expires June 15th, 1913. We ask that their successors be chosen by ballot as required by law.

Eleventh. Messrs. James S. Tibby, with D. C. Martin as Alternate, were appointed to represent the Board on the floor of Synod.

Respectfully submitted by order of the Board,

JAMES S. TIBBY, Secretary.

Pittsburgh, Pa., May 17th, 1913.

GENEVA COLLEGE ENDOWMENT FUND.

May 1, 1912, Balance	$202,270 00
Receipts.	
Collections during the year	1,000 00
May 1, 1913, Balance	$203,270 00

STUDENTS' AID ENDOWMENT FUND.

May 1, 1912, Balance	16,286 88
Receipts.	
Collections during the year	425 00
May 1, 1913, Balance	16,711 88

AGED MINISTER'S ENDOWMENT FUND.

May 1, 1912, Balance	$ 12,878 52
Receipts.	
Collections during the year	1,000 00
May 1, 1913, Balance	13,878 52

MISS M. REBECCA EUWER GENEVA COLLEGE NOTE.

May 1, 1912, Balance	$ 857 19
Receipts.	
1913 Dividend	47 15
May 1, 1913, Balance	904 34

The following Endowments remain unchanged:

Theological Seminary	$ 69,638 75
Foreign Mission	49,633 43
Domestic Mission	32,111 30
Sustentation	100 00
Southern Mission	5,481 28
Chinese Home	400 00
Indian Mission	2,000 00
James and Mary Carlisle for Aged Ministers	500 00
Mission in China	237 50
Widows and Children Deceased Ministers	6,770 02
Church Erection	3,400 00
Rev. D. and Mrs. M. E. McKee Memorial	$10,000 00
J. Hays Euwer Geneva College Prize Fund	690 00
James R. McKee Memorial Funds	3,000 00
Mrs. Eda S. E. McKee Memorial Fund	3,000 00
David G. McKee, Memorial Fund	1,000 00
Ryegate and Barnet, Vermont Congregation	850 00
Brooklyn, New York, Congregation	4,867 80
Iowa Presbytery	700 00
Wilkinsburg, Pa., Congregation	500 00
American Bible Society	50 00
Mrs. Sarah J. Steele, Geneva College Fund	1,000 00
David Gregg Mortgage Fund	157,015 73
Total Endowments receiving 5½ per cent	432,374 70

DAVID GREGG ENDOWMENT BEQUEST MORTGAGE ACCOUNT.

May 1, 1913, Balance	156,500 00
Invested during the year	6,000 00
	162,500 00
Mortgages paid off	9,225 85
May 1, 1913, Balance	153,274 15

DAVID GREGG ENDOWMENT BEQUEST INTEREST ACCOUNT.

Interest received during the year		$ 8,521 95
Charged Fund 5 per cent for handling	426 10	
Foreign Mission received	2,698 60	
Domestic Mission	1,619 21	
Sustentation	539 72	
Church Erection	539 72	
Theological Seminary	539 72	
Southern Mission	539 72	
Chinese Home Mission	539 72	
Widows and Children	539 72	
Central Allegheny Congregation	539 72	
		8,521 95

REGULAR MORTGAGE ACCOUNT.

May 1, 1912, Balance	$365,359 04
Invested during the year	43,500 00
	408,859 04
Mortgages paid	29,971 61
May 1, 1913, Balance	378,887 43

INTEREST ACCOUNT.

Receipts from Mortgages, Notes and net profits from real estate			26,638 85
Expenditures.			
Dividends on sundry items less than 5½ per cent		1,168 44	
Legal services		13 50	
Our share office expenses		1,272 10	
1913 Dividend on $432,374 70 at 5½ per cent, viz.:			
Geneva College Endowment	202,270 00	11,124 85	
Mrs. S. J. Steele	1,000 00	55 00	
Theological Seminary	69,638 75	3,830 13	
Students Aid	16,711 88	919 15	
Foreign Mission	49,633 43	2,729 84	
Domestic Mission	32,111 30	1,766 12	
Sustentation	100 00	5 50	
Southern Mission	5,481 28	301 47	
Chinese Home Mission	400 00	22 00	
Indian Mission	2,000 00	110 00	
Aged Ministers	13,878 52	763 32	
Jas. and Mary Carlisle for ministers	500 00	27 50	
Mission in China	237 50	13 06	

Widows and Children	6,770 02	372 35	
Church Erection	3,400 00	187 00	
Rev. D. and Mrs. M. E. McKee	10,000 00	550 00	
David G. McKee	1,000 00	55 00	
Jas. R. McKee Memorial Fund	3,000 00	165 00	
Mrs. E. S. E. McKee Memorial fund	3,000 00	165 00	
Ryegate and Barnet Vt., congregation	850 00	46 75	
Brooklyn, N. Y., congregation	4,867 80	267 73	
Iowa Presbytery	700 00	38 50	
Wilkinsburg, Pa., congregation	500 00	27 50	
American Bible Society	50 00	2 75	
Miss Rebecca Euwer College fund	857 19	47 15	
Pittsburgh Presbytery	3,417 03	187 94	
Balance of profits to contingent account		404 20	
			$ 26,638 85

Expense Account.

Rent of office	$ 280 00	
'Phone	42 67	
Stamped Envelopes	64 08	
Bond of Treasurer	25 00	
Expense of Auditor	44 50	
Supplies and Expenses	67 85	
Car Fare	20 11	
Salary	2,000 00	
		$ 2,544 21
Above expenses distributed as follows, viz:		
Witness Bearing Current account	127 21	
Theolgical Seminary	127 21	
Indian Mission	178 09	
Southern Mission	203 54	
Domestic Mission	305 31	
Geneva College	330 75	
Interest Account	1,272 10	
		$ 2,544 21

Cash Account.

May 1, 1912, Balance	$ 23,721 12	
Receipts	137,774 65	
	161,495 77	
Expenses	159,908 37	
May 1, 1913, Balance	1,587 40	

Office Furniture Account.

May 1, 1912, Balance	200 00
Chairs	10 00
May 1, 1913, Balance	210 00

Contingent Account.

May 1, 1912, Balance	2,857 18
Balance of year's profits	404 20
May 1, 1913, Balance	3,261 38

HOLMWOOD, KANSAS, CHURCH BUILDING FUND.

May 20, 1912, Sale by Rev. J. M. Johnston.....		214 50
Distribution by 1913 Synod.		

ROCHESTER, N. Y., CHURCH PROPERTY FUND.

May 1, 1912, Balance.....		$ 3,748 50
Expenditures.		
G. College Dormitory note account.....$	748 50	
Domestic Mission	3,000 00	
		$ 3,748 50

MACEDON, O., CHURCH PROPERTY.

Receipts.		
April 25, 1913, Sold to Christian congregation.		125 00
Expenditures.		
Legal services		7 50
May 1, 1913, Balance to be distributed by Synod		117 50

STAUNTON, ILL., REF. PRES. CONGREGATION FUND.

May 1, 1912, Balance.....		150 00
Expenditures.		
Geneva College Dormitory note acount, order Synod.....		150 00

REBECCA J. MILLER, BEQUEST, NEW YORK CITY.

July 16—For Indian Mission per H. A. Heydt, Executor.....	200 00	
Southern Mission, per H. A. Heydt, Executor..	200 00	
Jewish Mission, per Dr. S. A. S. Metheny.....	200 00	
Mersine Mission, per Dr. S. A. S. Metheny....	500 00	
China Mission, per S. A. S. Metheny.....	1,000 00	
Latakia Hospital, per Dr. S. A. S. Metheny....	300 00	
Suadia Mission, per Dr. S. A. S. Metheny.....	200 00	
Cyprus Mission, per Dr. S. A. S. Metheny.....	200 00	
		$ 2,800 00
Expenditures.		
To Indian Mission.....	200 00	
Southern Mission	200 00	
Dr. S. A. S. Metheny, Treasurer.....	2,400 00	
		$ 2,800 00

JOHN BLACK, BEQUEST, MORNING SUN, IOWA.

Sept. 16, 1912—Per Messrs. Thos. McClement and W. J. Marshall, Admin.....		950 00
Expenditures.		
Domestic Mission, $475.00; Students Aid $8.91.	483 91	
Aged Minister's Fund, $8.91; Widows and Children $14.84	23 75	
A. P. Home, $5.95; Theological Seminary, $23.75; Jewish Mission, $14.84.....	44 54	
Southern Mission, $38.59; Indian Mission, $38.59; Temperance, $11.88.....	89 06	
Syrian Mission, $118.75; China, $118.75; Witness Bearing, $29.68.....	267 18	
Geneva College, $17.81; Church Erection, $23.75.....	41 56	
		$ 950 00

ROBERT W. AND MARY J. CAMPBELL, BEQUEST, BAXTER, PA.

Oct. 12, 1912—For Southern Mission, per C. A. Dodds	213 15	
Indian Mission, per C. A. Dodds	213 15	
Oct. 19, 1912—Jewish Mission, per S. A. S. Metheny	82 00	
Levant Mission, per S. A. S. Metheny	254 18	
China Mission, per S. A. S. Metheny	254 19	
		$ 1,016 67

Expenditures.

Remitted as per wishes of deceased	$ 1,016 67

MARGARET BUCHANAN, BEQUEST, PHILADELPHIA, PA.

March 21, 1913—For Syrian Mission per Jos. and Mary Sterrett, Executors	146 28	
China Mission, per Jos. and Mary Sterrett, Executors	146 27	
Indian Mission, per Jos. and Mary Sterrett, Executors	146 27	
Southern Mission, per Jos. and Mary Sterrett, Executors	146 27	
Aged People's Home, per Jos. and Mary Sterrett, Executors	146 27	
		$ 731 36

Expenditures.

Remitted as per wishes of Deceased	$ 731 36

MARY J. SHIELDS BEQUEST, MORNING SUN, IOWA.

April 17, 1913—Per Messrs. Thos. McClement and John L. Jones, Executors	$ 950 00
Distribution by 1913 Synod.	

ILLINOIS PRESBYTERY DONATION.

April 15, 1912—Gift to Illinois Presbytery by Staunton, Ill., R. P. Congregation and forwarded to Syrian Mission	$ 508 57

REV. CHAS. CLYDE HOME FUND.

May 1, 1912, Balance		$ 1,028 71
Receipts.		
Averaged interest for the year		39 37
		1,068 08
Amount withdrawn	25 00	
1912 taxes	42 30	
		67 30
May 1, 1913—Balance		$ 1,000 78

TEMPERANCE ACCOUNT.

May 1, 1912, Balance overdrawn		124 23
Receipts.		
John Black, Bequest, Morning Sun, Iowa	11 88	
Collections for the year	846 19	
		858 07
		733 84

Expenditures.

Supplies	445 04	
Salary	100 00	
		545 04
May 1, 1913, Balance		188 80

DOMESTIC MISSION.

May 1, 1912—Balance overdrawn		$ 4,882 58
Receipts.		
Congregations, Individuals and societies	$ 6,570 48	
Sustentation Fund transferred	2,588 78	
John Black, Bequest, Morning Sun, Iowa	475 00	
Rochester, N. Y. account order 1912 Synod	3,000 00	
J. S. Thompson, Home Mission Secretary	450 65	
David Gregg Fund, 1912 Dividend	1,619 21	
Rev. D. and Mrs. M. E. McKee dividend	137 50	
David G. McKee dividend	27 50	
Regular Endowment dividend	1,766 12	
		16,635 24
		$ 11,752 66
Expenditures.		
Colorado Presbytery	620 80	
Illinois Presbytery	616 67	
Iowa Presbytery	365 00	
Kansas Presbytery	1,274 55	
N. B. and N. S. Presbytery	845 77	
New York Presbytery	1,730 80	
Ohio Presbytery	1,161 51	
Pacific Coast Presbytery	1,769 47	
Pittsburgh Presbytery	1,937 01	
Rochester Presbytery	587 47	
Expenses J. S. Thompson Home Secretary	441 95	
Salary, J. S. Thompson Home Secretary, 13 months	1,525 00	
Miscellanoeus Board expenses	7 50	
Interest on overdraft	223 24	
Expenses Evangelistic Committee	1 00	
Expense account in handling	305 31	
		13,413 05
May 1, 1913, Balance overdrawn		$ 1,660 39

SUSTENTATION FUND.

May 1, 1912, Balance		588 78
Receipts.		
May 2, 1912, 8th payment Andrew Alexander, Bequest	2,000 00	
April 30, 1913, David Gregg endowment, 1913 dividend	539 72	
Regular Endowment, 1913 dividend	5 50	
		2,545 22
		3,134 00

Expenditures.

July 18, 1912, Account transferred to Domestic Mission		2,588 78
May 1, 1913, Balance		545 22

INDIAN MISSION.

May 1, 1912, Balance		822 71
Receipts.		
W. P. M. S. Pittsburgh Presbytery	1,000 00	
Congregations, Individuals and Societies	3,593 57	
8th payment Andrew Alexander Bequest	500 00	
Rebecca J. Miller, N. Y., Bequest	200 00	
R. W. and Mary J. Campbell, Bequest	213 15	
John Black, Bequest, Morning Sun, Iowa	38 59	
Local Receipts per W. W. Carithers	4,124 36	
Marg. Buchanan, Philadelphia, Pa., Bequest	146 27	
1913 Dividend on Endowment	110 00	
		9,925 94
		$ 10,748 65
Expenditures.		
Travelling expenses of workers	203 86	
Local expenses per W. W. Carithers	5,615 93	
Salaries	2,940 00	
Catechisms per J. S. T.	45	
Expense in handling funds	178 09	
		8,938 33
May 1, 1913, Balance		$ 1,810 32

SOUTHERN MISSION.

May 1, 1912, Balance		$ 1,183 90
Receipts.		
Congregations, Individuals and Societies	3,772 70	
8th payment Andrew Alexander, Bequest	1,000 00	
Local Receipts per W. J. Sanderson	3,277 80	
Rebecca J. Miller, Bequest, N. Y.	200 00	
R. W. and Mary J. Campbell Bequest, Baxter, Pa.	213 15	
John Black, Bequest, Morning Sun, Iowa	38 59	
Marg. Buchanan, Bequest, Philadelphia, Pa.	146 27	
1913 Dividend David Gregg Fund	539 72	
1913 Dividend on regular endowment	301 47	
		9,489 70
		10,673 60
Expenditures.		
Travelling expenses of workers	220 17	
Local expenses per W. J. Sanderson	2,083 34	
Expense in handling funds	203 54	
Insurance	65 63	
Salaries	6,305 00	
		8,877 68
May 1, 1913, Balance		$ 1,795 92

GIRL'S INDUSTRIAL HOME BUILDING FUND.

Receipts.

W. P. M. S. Pittsburgh Presbytery		$ 1,909 68
Expenditures.		
Bills for labor, materials		2,263 02
May 1, 1913, Balance overdrawn		353 34

OAKLAND, CAL., CHINESE MISSION.

May 1, 1912, Balance		$ 612 11
Receipts.		
Congregations and Societies	40 10	
1913 Dividend David Gregg Endowment	539 72	
1913 Dividend Regular Endowment	22 00	
		601 82
		1,213 93
Expenditures.		
Salary Mrs. W. C. Allen	420 00	
Rent on account Mission building	180 00	
		600 00
May 1, 1913, Balance		$ 613 93

GENEVA COLLEGE CURRENT ACCOUNT.

May 1, 1912, Balance overdrawn		$ 16,673 42
Receipts.		
Congregations, Individuals and Societies	1,702 49	
Special subscriptions solicited	2,683 00	
Interest on notes	106 25	
Interest on Bonds, Notes and Stocks	138 66	
Sale scrap iron	40 35	
Henry Wallace History Prize	25 00	
Tuition	6,458 20	
Rent of Gym. and Eve. Classes	150 50	
John Black, Bequest, Morning Sun, Iowa	17 81	
J. Hays Euwer Prize, dividend for 1913	30 00	
1913 Dividend on Endowments	11,179 84	
		22,532 11
		$ 5,858 69
Expenditures.		
Salaries to May 1, 1913	14,072 93	
Prizes	75 00	
Printing	218 50	
Advertisement	268 84	
Interest on Notes	707 16	
Interest on overdraft	1,336 63	
Expenses for handling funds	330 75	
Supplies for Library	293 87	
Salary Janitors	965 23	
Salary and Expenses R. Clarke charged	430 00	
Supplies	1,348 69	
Fire Protection, Equipment and Water	664 64	
Insurance	185 50	

Repairs and Improvements	816 54	
Repairs and Dormitory	646 76	
Summer School expenses	789 89	
Water, Fuel and Light	693 77	
Ath. Fees returned	486 00	
Railroad expenses	67 67	
Gift transferred to Gym. account	250 00	
		24,218 37
May 1, 1913, Balance overdrawn		$ 18,359 68

GENEVA COLLEGE ENDOWMENT NOTE ACCOUNT.

May 1, 1912, Balance		$ 11,735 23
Receipts.		
Paid on account of Notes		631 80
May 1, 1913, Balance		$ 11,103 43

GENEVA COLLEGE NOTE INTEREST ACCOUNT.

Amount received and credited to Current account		106 25

GENEVA COLLEGE DORMITORY NOTE ACCOUNT.

May 1, 1912, Balance		$ 967 00
Receipts.		
Staunton, Ill., Congregation fund	150 00	
Rochester, N. Y., Congregation fund	748 50	
Sundry	68 50	
		967 00

GENEVA COLLEGE GYMNASIUM ACCOUNT.

May 1, 1912, Balance overdrawn		$ 7,869 26
Receipts.		
Collections by W. P. Johnston	25 00	
Collections by Robert Clarke	5,772 50	
		5,797 50
		2,071 76
Expenditures.		
R. B. McDanel Co., in full	800 00	
F. M. Partington	124 00	
Interest on overdraft	387 50	
Portion of Salary and Expenses R. Clarke	1,503 64	
		2,815 14
May 1, 1913, Balance overdrawn		$ 4,886 90

GENEVA COLLEGE SCIENCE HALL ACCOUNT.

Receipts.		
Insurance in full	5,000 00	
Collections	85 06	
Collections by W. P. Johnston	206 00	
Collections by Robert Clarke	25 00	
Sale of Ground to P. & L. E. R. R.	4,000 00	
		9,316 06

Expenditures.

Labor, Materials and Furniture	15,629 50	
J. A. Snyder, Architect	150 00	
Kensley & Keefer for erection	725 60	
		16,505 10
May 1, 1913, Balance overdrawn		$ 7,189 04

GENEVA COLLEGE SCIENCE HALL EQUIPMENT ACCOUNT.

Receipts.

Insurance	1,500 00	
J. B. Finley for Laboratory	1,000 00	
		2,500 00

Expenditures.

Supplies and Apparatus		1,565 21
May 1, 1913, Balance		$ 934 79

GENEVA COLLEGE LIBRARY FUND.

Expenditures.

Magazines	53 05	
Magazine Holders	12 20	
Books bought	228 62	
		293 87
Amount transferred to Current Account		293 87

THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY ACCOUNT.

May 1, 1912, Balance		$ 2,110 69

Receipts.

Congregations, Individuals and Societies	1,563 79	
John Black, Bequest, Morning Sun	23 75	
1913 Dividend, David Gregg	539 72	
1913 Dividend Ryegate and Barnet Congregation	17 88	
1913 Dividend, regular endowment	3,830 13	
		5,975 27
		8,085 96

Expenditures.

Travelling expenses of Board	93 90	
Sundry	11 91	
Expense in handling funds	127 21	
Salaries	4,578 00	
		4,811 02
May 1, 1913, Balance		$ 3,274 94

THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY LIBRARY ACCOUNT.

May 1, 1912, Balance	$ 519 58

Receipts.

Duplicate books sold	1 00
	520 58

Expenditures.

Books rebound	27 85	
Books and Magazines bought	42 15	
		70 00
May 1, 1913, Balance		$ 450 58

MEMORIAL BUILDING RENT ACCOUNT.

May 1, 1912, Balance		$ 232 89
Receipts.		
Park Institute rent	800 00	
Park Institute 1912 Water rent	35 30	
Insurance	145 00	
		980 30
		1,213 19
Expenditures.		
Carpenter repairs after fire	145 00	
Supplies	129 34	
Repairs	131 77	
Artificial Gas	1 60	
Natural Gas	35 27	
1912 County taxes	33 50	
1913 City taxes	289 00	
Insurance on plate glass	10 00	
		775 48
May 1, 1913, Balance		$ 437 71

STUDENTS AID FUND.

May 1, 1912, Balance		$ 2,049 55
Receipts.		
Congregations, Individuals and Societies	753 19	
John Black, Bequest, Morning Sun, Iowa	8 91	
W. J. McBurney, Note on account	25 00	
1913 Dividend on Endowment	919 15	
		1,706 25
		3,755 80
Expenditures.		
E. K. Patton	270 00	
R. G. Graham	225 00	
Thos. E. Graham	220 00	
John D. McClure	225 00	
R. S. McElhinney	270 00	
W. H. Shaw	280 00	
		1,490 00
May 1, 1913, Balance		$ 2,265 80

AGED MINISTER'S ACCOUNT.

May 1, 1912, Balance		$ 1,458 09
Receipts.		
Congregations, Individuals and Societies	579 48	
John Black, Bequest, Morning Sun, Iowa	8 91	
1913 Dividend D. and Mrs. M. E. McKee	137 50	

1913 Dividend Jas. and Mary J. Carlisle.....	27 50	
1913 Dividend Mrs. Eda S. E. McKee.....	27 50	
1913 Dividend regular Endowment.....	763 32	
		1,544 21
		3,002 30

Expenditures.

J. C. K. Faris.....	200 00	
J. M. Armour	600 00	
D. H. Coulter	300 00	
D. S. Faris.....	500 00	
		1,600 00
May 1, 1913, Balance.....		$ 1,402 30

WIDOWS AND CHILDREN DECEASED MINISTERS.

May 1, 1912, Balance.....		$ 1,612 15

Receipts.

Congregations, Individuals and Societies.....	876 90	
John Black, Bequest, Morning Sun, Iowa.....	14 84	
1913 Dividend, David Gregg Fund.....	539 72	
1913 Dividend D. and Mrs. M. E. McKee Fund.	137 50	
1913 Dividend J. R. McKee Fund.....	110 00	
1913 Dividend Mrs. E. S. E. McKee Fund.....	27 50	
1913 Dividend regular Endowment Fund.....	372 35	
		2,078 81
		3,690 96

Expenditures.

Miss Martha Cannon.....	150 00	
Miss Juliet Cannon	150 00	
Mrs. Sarah Clyde	300 00	
Miss Anna B. George.....	150 00	
Mrs. R. R. Johnston.....	200 00	
Mrs. Marg. Lawson	400 00	
Mrs. Susan Love	100 00	
Miss Juliet McDonald	150 00	
Mrs. Nancy Reid	300 00	
Mrs. Agnes C. Wilson.....	100 00	
		2,000 00
May 1, 1913, Balance.....		$ 1,690 96

WITNESS BEARING FUND.

May 1, 1912, Balance.....		$ 996 84

Receipts.

Congregations, Individuals and Societies.....	2,825 70	
Collections by W. J. McKnight.....	24 50	
Collections by J. M. Coleman.....	562 15	
China Work S. S. Association Wilkinsburg....	33 79	
John Black, Bequest, Morning Sun, Iowa.....	29 68	
		3,475 82
		4,472 66

Expenditures.

Salaries and Expense workers	3,765 93	
Advertisement	6 00	
Postage	10 21	
Printing	194 44	
Expenses in handling Account	127 21	
Interest on overdraft	17 90	
		4,121 69
May 1, 1913, Balance		$ 350 97

EAST CRAFTSBURY, VT., CHURCH PROPERTY.

May 1, 1912, Balance		$ 999 50
Expenditures.		
Church Erection Board, order 1912 Synod		999 50

MISS ELIZABETH CAMPBELL, BEQUEST.

May 1, 1912, Balance		$ 100 00
Expenditures.		
J. R. W. Stevenson, order 1912 Synod		100 00

BALANCE SHEET.

Liabilities.

Total amount of Endowments	$599,120 55
St. John, N. B. Cong. Fund	2,700 00
Contingent	3,261 38
Temperance	188 80
Indian	1,810 32
Theological Seminary	3,274 94
Theological Seminary Library	450 58
Student Aid	2,265 80
Memorial Building	437 71
Aged Ministers	1,402 30
Widows and Children Deceased Ministers	1,690 96
Southern	1,795 92
Oakland Chinese	613 93
Witness Bearing	350 97
Geneva College Science Hall Equipment	934 79
John Gibson Estate	200 00
T. N. Faris Donation	6,000 00
Adamsville, Pa., Congregation	332 52
Holmwood, Kansas, Property	214 50
Chas. Clyde Property	1,000 78
South Carolina Cemetery	12 25
W. P. M. S. Pittsburgh Presbytery	200 00
Pittsburgh Presbytery Current Account	112 53
Investment	2,350 00
Educational	1,122 79
Sabbath School Convention	12 95
Macedon, O., Church Property	117 50
Sustentation	545 22
Mary J. Shields	950 00
Mary Buchanan	18 11
	$633,488 10

Assets.

David Gregg Mortgage Account	153,274 15	
Regular Mortgage Account	378,887 43	
Real Estate	67,021 55	
Office Furniture	210 00	
Cash	1,587 40	
Domestic Mission	1,660 39	
Girl's Industrial Home, Selma, Alab.	353 34	
Geneva College Current Account	18,359 68	
Science Hall	7,189 04	
Gymnasium	4,886 90	
Sundries	58 22	
		$683,488 10

AUDITOR'S CERTIFICATE.

The undersigned appointed by the Trustees of the Synod of the Reformed Presbyterian Church of N. A. to audit the Accounts of James S. Tibby, Treasurer, would respectfully report that I have examined the Accounts, Mortgages and other Securities, Cash in Bank and find same correct as per Report to 1913 Synod.

W. G. MILLER, Auditor.

Pittsburgh, Pa., May 17th, 1913.

Philadelphia, Pa., May 8, 1913.

Dr. S. A. S. Metheny, Treasurer,
617 No. 43d Street,
Philadelphia.

Dear Sir:

In accordance with your request we have audited the books and accounts of the Board of Foreign Missions, the Jewish Mission Board, and the Board of Church Erection, of the Synod of the Reformed Presbyterian Church of North America, from May 1, 1912 to April 30, 1913, and

WE CERTIFY that the statements of the various funds which are given herewith are properly prepared therefrom.

Yours very truly,
PRICE, WATERHOUSE & CO.

REPORT OF S. A. S. METHENY, M. D., TREASURER.

Statement of Funds, April 30, 1913.

Board of Foreign Missions:

Syrian Hospital Fund	$ 3,034 01	
Mersine Hospital Fund	1,036 55	
China General Fund	4,785 49	
China Women's Educational Work Fund	1,665 79	
China Boys' School Building Fund	459 85	
China Special Fund	15 00	
Latakia Church Building Fund	203 97	
Latakia Missionary Dwelling Fund	655 98	
Tarsus Building Fund	4,534 84	
David Oliver Brown Memorial Fund	1,772 05	
China New Station Fund	5,056 29	
Harry Lanphear Memorial Fund	2,264 85	
Isabella Stewart Martin Memorial Fund	2,953 50	
Semi-Centennial Fund	576 14	
Rev. D. J. Shaw Foreign Mission Fund	13,889 77	
		42,904 08

Jewish Mission Board			432 85
Church Erection Board			4,682 29
Cash Balance April 30, 1913			$ 48,019 22
Deposited as follows:			
* Brown Bros. & Co., Philadelphia		14,779 05	
Central National Bank, Philadelphia		10,198 22	
Bank of North America, Philadelphia		22,609 10	
† Real Estate Trust Co., Philadelphia		432 85	
TOTAL			$ 48,019 22
* Includes deposits May 1st and 2nd, 1913 aggregating		$ 11,228 32	
† Includes deposit May 2, 1913		64 50	

Syrian Mission General Fund, April 30, 1913.

Balance, May 1, 1912			$ 2,062 29
Receipts.			
Congregations	$ 9,976 94		
Sabbath Schools and Missionary Societies	3,118 84		
Individuals	1,947 52		
		$15,043 30	
Bequests and Legacies:			
Andrew Alexander, eighth paym't	2,500 00		
Robert W. and Mary J. Campbell.	254 18		
Rebecca J. Miller	900 00		
John Black	118 75		
Miss Margaret Buchanan	146 28		
		3,919 21	
Dividends:			
David Gregg Endowment	2,698 60		
J. R. McKee Endowment	55 00		
Mrs. E. S. E. McKee Endowment.	50 00		
David G. McKee Endowment	27 50		
Foreign Missions Endowment	2,729 84		
Ryegate and Barnet Congregation Endowment	17 87		
		5,578 81	
Staunton, Ill., Congregation, per Illinois Presbytery, Money undistributed when congregation disorganized		508 57	
Total receipts			25,049 89
Transferred from Semi-Centennial Fund to meet overdraft			5,514 71
TOTAL			$ 32,626 89
Disbursements.			
Latakia and Suadea Stations:			
Salaries	$ 6,920 00		
Mission Expense	5,670 70		
Traveling and shipping expense	1,152 75		
		$13,743 45	

Tarsus Station:			
Salaries	5,097 64		
Mission Expense	4,990 07		
Rent of Buildings in Mersine	1,250 00		
Traveling and shipping expense	1,417 36		
		12,755 07	
Cyprus Station:			
Salaries	3,674 24		
Mission Expense	2,254 56		
Traveling and shipping expense	199 57		
		6,128 37	
Total Disbursements			$ 32,626 89

Syrian Hospital Fund, April 30, 1913.

Balance May 1, 1912			$ 2,332 73
Receipts.			
Contributions from all sources:			
For general purposes	$ 23 50		
For support of beds	507 10		
Bequest, Estate of Rebecca J. Miller, New York City	300 00		
Interest to date	50 68		
Total Receipts			881 28
TOTAL			$ 3,214 01
Disbursements.			
Remitted to J. M. Balph, M. D., Treasurer	$ 180 00		
Balance April 30, 1913	3,034 01		
TOTAL			$ 3,214 01

Mersine Hospital Fund, April 30, 1913.

Balance, May 1, 1912			$ 415 95
Receipts.			
Contributions from all sources	591 31		
Interest to date	29 29		
Total Receipts			620 60
Balance, April 30, 1913			$ 1,036 55

China Mission General Fund, April 30, 1913.

Balance, May 1, 1912			$ 2,971 13
Receipts.			
Congregations	$10,816 09		
Sabbath Schools and Missionary Societies	1,636 43		
Individuals	998 21		
		$13,450 73	
Bequests:			
Estate of Rebecca J. Miller, New York City	1,000 00		
Robert W. and Mary J. Campbell	254 19		

John Black	118 75		
Miss Margaret Buchanan	146 27		
		1,519 21	
Dividends on Invested Funds		13 06	
Interest to date		44 53	
Transferred from Rev. R. A. Blair Account		152 35	
Transferred from Harry Lanphear Memorial Fund, account salary Rev. J. A. Kempf		1,050 00	
Total Receipts			16,229 88
TOTAL			$19,201 01
Disbursements.			
Salaries	$11,960 21		
Mission Expense	419 90		
Traveling and Shipping expenses	1,220 41		
		$13,600 52	
Transferred to New Station in China Fund, to meet amount transferred in error from that fund for year ending April 30, 1912, to cover salaries of Mr. Mitchell and Dr. McBurney		815 00	
Balance April 30, 1913		4,785 49	
TOTAL			$19,201 01

China Women's Educational Work Fund, April 30, 1913.

Balance, May 1, 1912	$	1,617 28	
Interest to date		48 51	
TOTAL			$ 1,665 79

China Boys' School Building Fund, April 30, 1913.

Balance, May 1, 1912	$	1,293 90	
Receipts.			
Interest to date		9 00	
TOTAL			$ 1,302 90
Disbursements.			
Payments made to J. K. Robb, Treasurer		843 05	
Balance, April 30, 1913		459 85	
TOTAL			$ 1,302 90

China Special Fund, April 30, 1913.

Balance, May 1, 1912	$	13 00	
Receipts from all sources		1,658 79	
TOTAL			$ 1,671 79
Remittances to Rev. J. K. Robb, Treasurer		1,656 79	
Balance, April 30, 1913		15 00	
TOTAL			$ 1,671 79

Special Contribution Funds, April 30, 1913.

LATAKIA—		
Balance, May 1, 1912	$ 17 00	
Receipts from all sources	287 50	
TOTAL		$ 304 50
Disbursements.		
Remittance to Dr. J. M. Balph, Treasurer	204 50	
Remittance to J. Stewart, Treasurer	100 00	
TOTAL		$ 304 50
TARSUS—		
Receipts from all sources		$ 235 00
Disbursements.		
Remittance to Dr. John Peoples, Treasurer	$ 61 00	
Remittance to R. E. Willson, Treasurer	174 00	
TOTAL		$ 235 00
CYPRUS—		
Receipts from all sources	$ 239 04	
Remittances to Rev. Walter McCarroll, Treas.		$ 239 04

Latakia Church Building Fund, April 30, 1913.

Balance, May 1, 1912	$ 198 34	
Interest to date	5 63	
Balance, April 30, 1913		$ 203 97

Latakia Missionary Dwelling Fund, April 30, 1913.

Receipts from all sources	$ 655 98
Balance, April 30, 1913	$ 655 98

Tarsus Building Fund, April 30, 1913.

Balance, May 1, 1912	$ 4,404 70	
Interest to date	130 14	
Balance, April 30, 1913		$ 4,534 84

David Oliver Brown Memorial Fund, April 30, 1913.

Balance, May 1, 1912	$ 1,721 41	
Interest to date	50 64	
Balance, April 30, 1913		$ 1,772 05

"This Fund covers contribution, plus interest earned, received from Mrs. Mary Brown, in memory of her husband, David Oliver Brown of New Alexandria, Pa. It was contributed to be included as a contribution for the New Station in China Fund, but in its use it is to remain as a distinct memorial of Mr. Brown." Minutes of Synod 1906, page 85.

China New Station Fund, April 30, 1913.

Balance, May 1, 1912	$ 4,094 99
Receipts.	
Transferred from China General Fund, to meet amount transferred in error to that Fund for year ending April 30, 1912, to cover	

salaries of Mr. Mitchell and Dr. McBurney	815 00	
Interest to date	146 30	
		961 30
Balance, April 30, 1913		$ 5,056 29

"No conditions attached." Minutes of Synod 1906, page 86.

Harry Lanphear Memorial Fund, April 30, 1913.

Balance, May 1, 1912	$ 3,270 45	
Receipts.		
Interest to date	44 40	
TOTAL		$ 3,314 85
Disbursements.		
Transferred to China General Fund, account salary Rev. J. A. Kempf	1,050 00	
Balance, April 30, 1913	2,264 85	
TOTAL		$ 3,314 85

"This fund covers various contributions received from Mrs. Tillie Henn (nee Mrs. Harry Lanphear) of Blanchard, Iowa, plus interest earned. The principal and interest are to be used to pay the salary of a missionary in some foreign field, and she is to be advised of the same; of the missionary, and of the field where he labors. It is a condition that she be notified at least once a year, where the money is being used, how much yearly, the name of the missionary, and such other items that may be of interest."

Minutes of Synod 1906, page 85.

Isabella Stewart Martin Fund, April 30, 1913.

Balance, May 1, 1912	$ 2,873 30	
Interest to date	80 20	
Balance, April 30, 1913		$ 2,953 50

"This money was received from Mr. Henry Martin, plus interest earned. A memorial of Mrs. Isabella Stewart Martin for the work in the Mission in China." Minutes of Synod 1907, page 113.

Semi-Centennial Fund, April 30, 1913.

Balance, May 1, 1912	$ 5,924 00	
Receipts.		
Interest to date	170 60	
TOTAL		$ 6,094 60
Disbursements.		
Printing circular letter	3 75	
Transferred to Syrian Mission General Fund to meet overdraft, year ending April 30, 1913	5,514 71	
Total Disbursements	5,518 46	
Balance, April 30, 1913	576 14	
TOTAL		$ 6,094 60

"No conditions attached." Minutes of Synod 1908, page 112.

Rev. D .J. Shaw, Foreign Mission Fund, April 30, 1913.

Balance, May 1, 1912	$ 13,494 92	
Interest to date	394 85	
Balance, April 30, 1913		$ 13,889 77

"This is a balance of bequest of Rev. D. J. Shaw, of New Alexandria, Pa., to the Board of Foreign Missions of the Reformed Presbyterian Church (old school) for the purpose of pressing forward and advancing the work in the foreign field." Minutes of Synod 1909, page 99.

Money in Hands of Treasurer Belonging to Rev. S. H. Kennedy, April 30, 1913.

Balance, May 1, 1912	$ 51	
Transferred to China General Fund, by order of S. H. Kennedy	51	

Rev. R. A. Blair, Field Secretary Account, April 30, 1913.

Reecipts from all sources	$ 152 35	
Transferred to China General Fund by order of the Board	152 35	

Bequests Received and Transferred to James S. Tibby, Treasurer of The Board of Trustees, April 30, 1913.

Estate of Rebecca J. Miller, Deceased, New York City:		
For Jewish Mission	$ 200 00	
For Mersine Mission	500 00	
For China Mission of Tak Hing Chau	1,000 00	
For Suadea Mission	200 00	
For Latakia Hospital	300 00	
For Cyprus Mission	200 00	
		$ 2,400 00
Robert W. and Mary J. Campbell, Baxter, Pa.:		
For Jewish Mission	82 00	
For Levant Mission	254 18	
For China Mission	254 19	
		590 37
Money left by Staunton Congregation when disorganized and transferred by Illinois Presbytery to Board of Foreign Missions		508 57
TOTAL		$ 3,498 94

Treasurer's Expense Account For Year Ending April 30, 1913.

Total expenses of Treasurer for year		$ 499 55
Distributed as follows:		
China Mission Expense	$ 199 82	
Latakia Mission Expense	99 91	
Tarsus Mission Expense	99 91	
Cyprus Mission Expense	99 91	
TOTAL		$ 499 55

S. A. S. METHENY, Treasurer.

The Jewish Mission Board, April 30, 1913.

Balance, May 1, 1913		$ 554 31
Receipts.		
Congregations	$ 1,223 46	
Sabbath Schools and Societies	235 79	
Individuals and Bequests	401 96	
Interest on Deposits	4 50	
Total Receipts		1,865 71
TOTAL		$ 2,420 02
Disbursements.		
Salaries	1,616 50	
Mission Expense	370 67	
Total Disbursements	1,987 17	
Balance, April 30, 1913	432 85	
TOTAL		$ 2,420 02

S. A. S. METHENY, Treasurer.

Board of Church Erection, April 30, 1913.

Balance, May 1, 1912		$ 3,403 95
Receipts.		
Congregations	$ 1,287 76	
Sabbath Schools	16 03	
Individuals	59 00	
Net Proceeds from sale of East Craftsbury, Vt., Church Property, by order of 1912 Synod.	999 50	
Bequest, John Black	23 75	
Dividends:		
David Gregg Fund	$ 539 72	
Invested Fund	187 00	
	726 72	
Interest to date	68 08	
Total Receipts		3,180 84
TOTAL		$ 6,584 79
Disbursements.		
White Lake Congregation, White Lake, N. Y.	400 00	
Kansas City Congregation, Kansas City, Mo.	1,500 00	
	1,900 00	
Expense, record book for Secretary	2 50	
Total Disbursements	1,902 50	
Balance, April 30, 1913	4,682 29	
TOTAL		$ 6,584 79

S. A. S. METHENY, Treasurer.

REPORT OF JAMES S. TIBBY, TREASURER OF LITERARY FUND.

May First 1912 to May First 1913.

May 1, 1912, Balance		$ 964 57
Receipts.		
Contribution	1 00	
Sale of Testimonies and Disciplines	31 20	
1889 Double Psalters	6 80	
Psalm Selections	4 75	
Confession of Faith	3 00	
1912 Minutes of Synod	318 85	
Old Minutes of Synod	80	
1912 Daily Bible Readings	76 80	
Miscellaneous Books	21 95	
1912 Psalters half leather	1,717 25	
1912 Psalters, half flexible	57 00	
1912 Psalters full flexible	53 00	
1912 Psalters without music	489 65	
Elliott Hand Book	34 30	
Ref. Presbyterian Catechism	10	
Ref. Presbyterian Manual	10	
Trav. Fund from 1911, Synod to pay debt	18 66	
Trav. Fund from 1912 Synod over	15 78	
		2,850 99
		$ 3,815 56
Expenditures.		
Printing 1912 Synod's Appropriation Blanks	$ 12 00	
Printing 1912 Minutes of Synod	210 75	
Printing 1912 Daily Bible Readings	45 50	
Printing Ref. Presbyterian Catechism	32 00	
Printing Ref. Presyterian Manual of Doctrine.	32 00	
Printing 3rd Edition 1912 Psalter	810 88	
Printing 4th Edition 1912 Psalter	960 93	
Printing Psalter without music	1,137 90	
Printing Report Systematic Giving	2 00	
Covenant	12 50	
Elliott's Hand Book	82 75	
Cut for Minutes of Synod	2 00	
Trav. Fund 1912 Synod, paid to J. S. T.	15 78	
Typewriting letter	2 50	
Advertisement in Christian Nation	3 00	
Advertisement in Olive Trees	6 00	
Insurance on Plates in Philadelphia, Pa.	8 30	
Appropriation to West. Sect. Pres. Alliance	40 00	
Wrapping Paper	7 43	
Storage on Synod's Trunk	5 00	
Postage, Expressage and Freight on Books	251 88	
		$ 3,681 10
May 1, 1913, Balance		$ 134 46

JAMES S. TIBBY, Treasurer.

Pittsburgh, Pa., May 1, 1913.

We have compared the above Report with the Treasurer's books, which have been audited and found correct, by the undersigned Committee.

GEORGE A. McKEE,
JNO. M. ALLEN,
Committee.

REPORT OF SYNOD'S BOARD OF CONTROL.

Synod's Board of Control would respectfully report:

The regular meeting of the Board of Control was held Nov. 12, 1912, at the home of R. J. Allen of the Sharon Congregation, near Morning Sun, Ia. Dr. C. D. Trumbull is President of the Board and S. E. Greer was elected Secretary.

There came before the Board four applications for aid from the Fund for Aged Ministers; ten applications for aid from the Fund for Widows and Orphans, and six applications for aid from the Students' Fund.

A statement from Treasurer Tibby, showing the amount in each fund, at the disposal of the Board was read. After a careful consideration of the applicants upon their respective funds, your Board drew orders upon the treasurer for the various applicants in a sum aggregating $1600 from the Fund for Aged Ministers; $2000 from the Fund for Widows and Orphans, and $1490 from the Students Aid Fund.

We request the usual appropriations of $1500 for the Aged Ministers Fund; $2500 for the Widows and Orphans' Fund, and $1500 for the Students' Aid Fund.

The terms of R. J. Allen and S. E. Greer expire at this time and their successors should be elected at this meeting of Synod.

G. A. Edgar was appointed to represent the Board on the floor of Synod.

(Signed) S. E. GREER, Secretary.

REPORT OF FINANCIAL AGENT FOR NATIONAL REFORM.

May First 1912 to May First 1913.

May 1st, 1912, Balance		$ 300 18
Receipts.		
Congregations, Individuals and Societies	$ 13,658 27	
Subscriptions to Christian Statesman	1,677 10	
Sale of Literature	70 49	
Commercial Club, Portland, Oregon	12,500 00	
		27,905 86
		$ 28,206 04
Expenditures.		
Office Supplies and Expenses	2,084 17	
Traveling Expenses of Workers	2,813 42	
Printing Christian Statesman and Tracts	2,200 78	
Salaries	8,202 94	
Convention Expenses	1,489 59	
Publicity	7,198 60	
World's Christian Citizenship Conference, Portland, Oregon, special expenses	1,265 05	
		25,254 55
May 1st, 1913, Balance		$ 2,951 49

JAMES S. TIBBY, Financial Agent.

Pittsburgh, Pa., May 1st, 1913.

We have compared the above Report with the Treasurer's Books, which have been audited and found correct by the undersigned Auditing Committee.

J. H. REDPATH,
WILLIAM A. C. BROWN,
Auditing Committee.

SIXTEENTH ANNUAL REPORT OF THE TREASURER OF THE REFORMED PRESBYTERIAN WOMAN'S ASSOCIATION HAVING IN CHARGE THE AGED PEOPLE'S HOME.

Summary.

March 1, 1912, Balance		$ 929 67
Receipts.		
Wardrobe Committee Room	$ 5 00	
Ann Daugherty Account	115 20	
Managers' Contingent Fund	15 00	
Congregational Collections	557 43	
Miss Gray, Reserve Fund	500 00	
Mrs. Patterson	97 01	
Membership Dues	177 00	
Miss Gemmill	86 40	
Interest	415 61	
Miss Young	400 00	
Current Expense	3,641 12	
		6,009 77
		$ 6,939 44
Expenditures.		
D. and M. E. McKee Room	$ 4 90	
Margaret Galbraith Room	4 90	
Mr. and Mrs. J. A. McKee Room	29 90	
Rev. Jos. and Mary A. Hunter Room	4 90	
Samuel McKee Room	4 90	
David Torrens Room	4 90	
John Davidson Room	11 87	
Managers' Contingent Fund	16 40	
Mr. and Mrs. Aiton Room	4 90	
Interest	896 04	
House Expense	1,643 91	
Salary (Matron, Nurse and Help)	1,529 42	
Current Expense	1,594 08	
		5,751 02
March 1, 1913, Balance		$ 1,188 42
		$ 6,939 44

Respectfully submitted,

March 18, 1913.

We, the undersigned have examined the Treasurer's Report of the Reformed Presbyterian Woman's Association for the year ending February 28, 1913, and find it true and correct.

(Signed) JAMES N. McKEE,
(Signed) JAMES S. TIBBY,
Committee.

SPECIAL BALANCE SHEET.

Fund	Overdrawn	Balance
Students Aid		$ 2,265 80
Aged Ministers		1,402 30
Widows and Orphans		1,690 96
Theological Seminary		3,274 94
Jewish Missions		432 85

Southern Missions		1,795 92
Indian Missions		1,810 32
Domestic Missions	1,660 39	
Chinese Home Missions		613 93
Syrian Missions		
Temperance		188 80
Mission in China		4,785 49
Witness Bearing		350 97
Geneva College	18,359 68	
Church Erection		4,682 29
Sustentation		545 22
Literary		134 46
Aged People's Home		1,188 42
TOTALS	$ 20,020 07	$ 25,162 67

REPORT OF THE R. P. WOMEN'S ASSOCIATION.

To the Moderator and Members of Synod:

The Reformed Presbyterian Women's Association would respectfully report that during the year just closed, twenty-four meetings have been held in the interest of the Aged Peoples Home, six of the Association, four of the Board of Directors and fourteen of the Board of Managers.

The attendance at these meetings and the reports of the various committees from month to month, is proof that the work of the Home is dear to the hearts of those in charge.

The Corresponding Secretary wrote seventy-five postals, eighty-eight pulpit notices, and one hundred letters, distributed five hundred fifty-eight printed reports and sent out one hundred invitations for the Annual Reception.

We are sorry to note that Mrs. W. M. Hice, who has been Corresponding Secretary for fourteen years, has on account of the painful condition of her hands, caused by rheumatism, found it necessary to give up the work as Corresponding Secretary. We realize that her work has been hard and at times done under great difficulty, but it has been done cheerfully and willingly and our Heavenly Father will reward her abundantly for her work of love.

It is also with sorrow that we record the death of one of our Associate members and for many years a member of the Board of Managers, Mrs. W. W. Armstrong.

Five of the members of the Home have been removed by death. Mrs. Margaret Neil. May 21, 1912; Mr. David Black, October 31, 1912; Mrs. Emma Gemmell, November 3, 1912; Mrs. Isabella Dickey, November 3, 1912 and Miss Mary A. Young, November 8, 1912.

The number in the Home at present is twenty.

We are glad to report that Miss Etta Jamison is still our very efficient and well beloved Matron.

Donation and Reception day was held September 26, when a large number of friends visited the Home and many useful gifts were received.

We desire to extend our gratitude to all who have remembered the Home during the year with provisions and gifts of different kinds, and to the Physicians, Ministers and Students, for their kindness in ministering to the comfort of those in the Home.

Twelve sermons have been preached in the Home by the fol-

lowing ministers: Dr. D. C. Martin, Dr. W. J. Coleman, Mr. J. Boyd Tweed, Prof. McIsaacs, Rev. J. B. Dodds, Dr. T. H. Acheson, Rev. A. J. McFarland, Dr. H. H. George, Dr. R. J. G. McKnight, and Rev. Walter McClurkin. A Thanksgiving service was held on the evening of Thanksgiving Day conducted by Dr. T. H. Acheson, and prayer meetings have been held every Wednesday evening led by the Students of the Seminary and Covenanters in the vicinity of the Home.

Four Life Members have been added to the Association, Mrs. M. J. Crockett and Miss Wilhelmina Fleissner, by Mrs. S. M. Orr; Dr. D. Martin Boyd by Mrs. J. T. Morton, and Mrs. S. C. Patterson.

The Congregational collections amounted to Five Hundred Fifty-seven Dollars and forty-three cents.

We desire to express the thankfulness of the Association for the gift of the Two Thousand Dollar bond by the Synod of last year, which not only helped to relieve our necessities, but also gave proof of the continued interest of the Church in our work.

We make request for the usual appropriation of One Thousand Dollars.

Respectfully submitted,
MRS. W. J. WARD, Secretary.

REPORT OF DOMESTIC MISSION CONFERENCE.

The Domestic Mission Conference composed of the Central Board of Missions, and the representatives of the respective Presbyteries met in the Chapel of Westminster Hotel, Winona Lake, Indiana, May 20, 1913, at 7:30 p. m. and was called to order and led in prayer by John Yates, Chairman of the Central Board of Missions. Mr. Yates was elected Chairman of the Conference, and W. M. Robb secretary. Appropriations aggregating $11,185 were recommended to various congregations as follows:

Colorado Presbytery.

La Junta ..... $ 200 00

Illinois Presbytery.

Selma 400 00

New Brunswick and Nova Scotia Presbytery.

Barnesville, $7.50 per day for 4 months 125 00
St. John 400 00
(With request that the congregation send an itemized statement of its income to the Treasurer, J. S. Tibby).
Cornwallis 350 00

Kansas Presbytery.

Billings, for a settlement 250 00
Hebron 150 00

(If the work continues on the present basis).

Kansas City 150 00
Quinter 375 00
(On condition that the congregation make up the full amount).
Stafford 300 00
Tabor, for present pastorate 250 00
(With recommendation that the congregation raise an additional $25.)
Robstown 200 00

New York Presbytery.

Second Boston, for four months	200 00
Brooklyn	200 00
Coldenham	150 00
West Hebron	400 00
White Lake	200 00

Ohio Presbytery.

Belle Center and Bellefontaine	200 00
(Placed at the disposal of Presbytery for the joint development of the two fields.)	
Cedarville, for a settlement	200 00
(and $100 for supplies one-half time).	
Cincinnati	250 00
Fairgrove, for pastor three-fourths time	300 00
(or $5 per day for supplies.)	
Hetherton, for a settlement	300 00
(or $5 per day for supplies, after the congregation has contributed $400.00.)	
Southfield	300 00

Pacific Coast Presbytery.

Content	300 00
Edmonton and Amisk	200 00
(Placed at disposal of Central Board for development of the field for six months, with discretionary power to act after that date.)	
Hemet, for a settlement	600 00
Portland	800 00
Santa Ana	400 00
Winnipeg	500 00
(Placed at the disposal of the Central Board for the cultivation of the field for 6 months with discretionary power to act after that date.)	

Pittsburgh Presbytery.

Bear Run and Mahoning	175 00
Brookland, for six months	125 00
McKeesport and Connellsville	600 00
(Half time to be given to each place.)	
Mercer	200 00
Middletown	85 00
North Union, for six months	50 00
Slippery Rock	100 00
Youngstown	650 00

Rochester Presbytery.

Lisbon	100 00
(After they have expended $300.)	
Lochiel	200 00

Recommendations:

1. That the congregation of La Junta, Colorado, be placed in the twelve-hundred dollar class, owing to extraordinary conditions as to cost of living.
2. That Selma congregation be strongly urged to make up the salary that is behind for the past year.
3. That New Brunswick and Nova Scotia Presbytery take steps toward the union of St. John and Barnesville congregations.
4. That Pittsburgh Presbytery make such a readjustment of con-

gregational lines at Bear Run and Mahoning as will unify the work in that community.

5. That Clerks of Presbyteries be requested to report monthly to the Central Board the amount due itinerant supplies.

6. That we express our hearty appreciation of the actions of Greeley and Evans, Colorado; Regina, Canada; Vernon, Wis.; Sparta, Illinois; Cambridge, Massachusetts; Syracuse, New York, and East End, Pittsburgh, in becoming self sustaining.

7. That the Corresponding Secretary of the Central Board send out a sympathetic letter to congregations to whom supplement has been given, explaining the condition of the Domestic Mission Funds, and where decreases have been made, urging congregations to make up the deficit.

8. That pastors be urged to preach on the subject of Home Missions on the Sabbath preceding the offering for Domestic Mission Fund, and to emphasize the vital relation that exists between the adequate maintenance of the Home Field, and the successful prosecution of work in the wider sphere.

9. That J. S. Tibby be instructed to issue new application blanks for use in Congregations applying for aid, in which shall be printed the rules of the Conference to date, governing such applications.

10. That the time has come in the judgment of the Mission Conference, for the N. Y. Presbytery to carry out the recommendation of last Synod concerning the Boston congregations, but that in view of present unsettled conditions among our people in that city and of possible delay in effecting such an arrangement, we recommend that the amount of $200 be appropriated for the first four months of the coming Synodical year, for the Second Boston congregation.

JOHN YATES, Chairman.
W. M. ROBB, Secretary.

Committee on Psalmody reported. The report was received, and taken up item by item for adoption.

Items 1, 2, 3, 4, adopted.

Item 5 amended and adopted.

Item 6 amended and adopted.

Items 7, 8, adopted.

The nominating of a committee to prepare for publication, selections from the psalter, was referred to Committee on Nominations.

The report was then adopted as a whole, and is as follows:

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON PSALMODY.

Song is one of the best gifts that God has given to man. And as with all His gifts, He gives it that we may in its use return to Him a higher honor and a more excellent praise.

Singing is one of the most beautiful of all graces. In song the deepest feelings, either of sadness or of joy can be most perfectly expressed.

Like the water that we drink, like the air that we breathe, God has made song to fill the earth. And we could almost conceive that the planets and the myriad stars in the heavens take up the measured

strains of the great chorus that God has made to sing his praises, as they measure the periods of their courses. "Sing, O ye heavens." Isa. 44:23. "The morning stars sang together." Job 38:7. "Praise ye the Lord from the heavens; praise him in the heights. Praise ye him, sun and moon; praise ye him all ye stars of light. Praise him, ye heavens of heavens." Ps. 48:1, 3, 4.

"Music is the harmonious voice of creation; an echo of the invisible world; one note of the divine concord which the entire universe is destined one day to sound." Mazzini.

God has made the human heart to be filled with song. The heart that does not sing is sick. It is troubled. There is doubt and darkness there. God means us to be happy. Christ said, "Be of good cheer." There is no good cheer where there is no song. Mary said, "My soul doth magnify the Lord, and my spirit hath rejoiced in God my Savior." Luke 1:46. Job said, "I caused the widow's heart to sing for joy." Job 29:13. Paul wrote to the Ephesians, "....singing and making melody in your hearts to the Lord." Eph. 5:19. Where there is song in the heart there is brightness of face and contentment in life.

God means that there shall be singing in the home. A mother who sings about her work is like the sunshine in a garden. Singing children brighten the parent's faces and ease their heavy burdens. A home where music and singing is one of the family pastimes is like a spring in a meadow—the gathering place of all.

God has ordained that song shall be heard in the church. One of the most important divisions of public worship is the praise service. In the hundredth Psalm we are told to "serve the Lord with gladness; come before his presence with singing." In the twenty-second Psalm the twenty-second verse the psalmist says, "In the midst of the congregation will I praise thee." God is addressed, in the sixty-fifth Psalm, with the words, "Praise waiteth for thee, O God, in Zion." In the first verse of the hundred forty-ninth Psalm we have the command, "Sing unto the Lord a new song, and his praise in the congregation of saints." The praise service has much to do with the spriit in which the congregation appears before God in worship. Poor singing deadens the spirit and genders a listlessness among the people. Good singing quickens the soul and awakens the heart to the pleasures of living and the joy of praising God.

God has filled the world with song, which makes the beauties of nature ten fold more attractive to us. "Let the fields rejoice and all that is therein. Then shall the trees of the wood sing out at the presence of the Lord." 1 Chron. 16:33. "Sing, O heavens; and be joyful, O earth; and break forth into singing, O mountains." Isa. 49:13. The wind sings among the leaves to awaken the world in the morning. And in the evening it whispers a lullaby to the sleeping day. In the darkness of a winter night it moans its lament among the dead branches of the forest. In the winter the frost sings on the wires overhead and in the summer the heated rails foretell the coming train across great stretches of prairie. The brooks sing as they dash upon the rocks and whirl along the mossy banks. The insects buzz among the flowers or hide among the leaves and make the very air vibrate with their music. The birds fill the woods with song and even birds of passage break the stillness of the night with the vibration of their wings.

But, better than all these songs, however great the pleasure they bring, there is to be singing in heaven. "And I heard a voice from heaven as the voice of many waters, and as the voice of a great thunder; and I heard the voice of harpers harping with their

harps; and they sung as it were a new song before the throne." Rev. 14:2. "And they sung a new song saying, Thou art worthy....; and the number of them was ten thousand times ten thousand, and thousands of thousands;" Rev. 5:9 and 11. One of the occupations of the redeemed in heaven will be singing praises in that great choir invisible about the throne of God and of the Lamb. There is no song in the place of lost souls.

The dictionary defines "Psalmody" to be "the singing of Psalms." We now come to the second part of the subject which is, The Psalms in worship.

Psalmody is a subject important to us as Covenanters,

First, because the singing of Psalms is a very elevating and inspiring occupation. "Is any merry? let him sing Psalms." James 5:13. The thought is expressed in different ways all through the Word that we are "lifted up" in songs of praise.

Second, because the Psalms are full of the supreme truths of God's revelation. The creation; God's providence; the plan of salvation; the attributes of God; the person; the offices and the work of the Redeemer; the glory of God as the chief end of all things that are made.

Third, because the singing of Psalms brings these truths to us and to the world in the most effective way. When they become our song they are more often on our lips and are impressed more firmly in our minds. When they become our song we learn to love them because we sing when we are in the best of spirits and the nearest to God.

Fourth, because the singing of Psalms in praise to God is worship, pleasing and acceptable to Him. "Who is like unto thee, O Lord among the Gods? who is like thee, glorious in holiness, fearful in praises, doing wonders." Ex. 15:11. The Psalms are especially adapted to sing praises to God for they express adoration and glory to the Highest Being, in song.

Fifth, because of the necessity of preserving the purity of worship in the praise service. Those who believe in the exclusive use of the Psalms in worship are a small minority among the worshippers of God. They have a hard and important duty to perform because of their fewness in number and because of the popularity of the other songs of praise that have been brought into the worship. God has provided his own selection of Psalms. He has given us no liberty to go beyond them. The command to use them in our worship has never been withdrawn. So for the honor of our God we should sing the Psalms and sing them with all our heart and with all our skill and with all our might. Sing and make melody. Sing forth the honor of his name, make glorious his praise. Christ's honor can best be preserved by keeping within his commandment.

Sixth, because the command to sing the Psalms is so often repeated and so emphatic. The command to sing the Psalms is far more often repeated than the command not to sing any other composition in worship, although that teaching through the Bible is plain and emphatic enough. In our earnestness to preserve the purity of worship and to keep out all things that are not commanded we are in danger of the sin of omission. It is a great sin to neglect what he has commanded as to do what he has not commanded. To sit idle during the praise service is an affront to the honor and glory of God. It is a public sin. It is a dishonor to Christ. It is shame to a professing Christian. "Sing praise to God, sing praise, sing praise, praise to the Lord give ye." "Sing forth the honor of his

name, make glorious his praise." Ps. 66:2. The honor of God is upheld both in the purity and the excellence of his praises.

The committee recommends:

First. That the importance of singing at family worship be urged upon the parents in the various congregations.

Second. That the singing of Psalms be given a larger place in the prayer meetings of our congregations.

Third. That there be more meetings and classes arranged among the members of the congregations, for singing practice.

Fourth. That the pastors be urged to give all the assistance possible to the precentors of their congregations, that their work may be the most effective.

Fifth. That everyone in the congregation be urged to join heartily in the singing.

Sixth. That the matter of preparing for publication a book of selections from the Psalter be referred to a special committee to report to next Synod.

Seventh. That the Committee on Psalmody be instructed to bring in a report next year on th e subject of instrumental music in the worship of God.

Eighth. That the Committee on Psalmody for next year be instructed to investigate and report the possibility and the advisability of Synod providing for our congregations an instructor in music who is in full sympathy with our position on Psalmody.

OWEN F. THOMPSON,
R. C. WYLIE,
M. A. GAULT,
R. J. CATHCART,
JAS. BLACKWOOD, M. D.
JOSEPH WOODSIDE.

The committees on the death of Rev. T. P. Stevenson, D. D., LL D., and Rev. W. M. George reported. These reports were received and adopted, and are as follows:

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON THE DEATH OF DR. T. P. STEVENSON.

There were four students graduated from the Seminary in 1862. These were R. M. C. Thompson, J. C. Smith, T. P. Stevenson, and the writer of this sketch.

Three of these have gone from us. Carlyle says, "What is material in the good man, passes away. What is spiritual, remains, remains serene, conspicuous, unaltering, so that the real life remains a gospel, and preaches still to the eyes and hearts of men."

Dr. Thomas Patton Stevenson was born in Cadiz, Ohio, in 1838, was educated at Muskigum College, and was retained as a teacher in the College. After his graduation in the theological school, he was called to the pulpit of the First Church of Philadelphia. He succeeded Dr. J. M. Willson. Here he did his work and spent his life.

As an evidence of the estimation in which this man is to be held, we find that for 49 years he went in and out before this people. We have only to say that this is the unusual, extraordinary. This is a marvelous testimony to the goodness of character on both sides. He was, for I know not how many years, president

of Board of Superintendents of the Theological Seminary, president as well of the Board of Corporators of Geneva College.

Men are judged by the things they try to see, by the things they endeavor to reach. Some men live hopeful lives because rising, as they move. One thing leads to something better and higher. There is no end to the series.

Some one has said there is always a new horizon for the upward and onward looking man. Our friend was one of these.

To be successful is a question of what we want, not of what we have. Life would be dull if the eyes did not lift, if the soul did not go away from the body in the quest of great things.

Dr. Stevenson found at the very opening of his ministry a work that carried him beyond what belonged to family or parish or city, a work in which he engaged with great enthusiasm and to which he gave the best of all his powers, to the very end of life.

He was one of the founders of the National Reform Association, and was its secretary in all its later years.

This made his influence and reputation national in scope.

As editor of the Christian Statesman, the organ of the Association, he gained wide acquaintance with multitudes of men.

In the prosecution of his work he went to the hall of State and National Legislatures.

The North American of Philadelphia on the morning after his death spoke of him as one of the most noted clergymen of his city, and the London Times at one time had ranked him as "the foremost religious editorial writer of the world." As a pulpit orator he had a country-wide reputation for eloquent and scholarly sermons. He was recognized as a national leader in all the causes and issues fostered by the Association.

He planned for and had much to do in the assembling of the World's Christian Citizenship Congress, which met in Philadelphia two years ago, with delegates from different quarters of the world, where he made one of the great addresses, and greatly hoped to live so as to be able to attend the one to meet next month in Portland.

Dr. Stevenson was the successful pastor, the cultured scholar, the eloquent preacher, the trusted friend, the devout disciple.

In the death of this man his, this church has lost one of its very ablest defenders. While he would not perhaps lay as much stress on certain points of his creed as some others, he was a most loyal advocate of her testimony, and honored her as she maintained the honor belonging to his risen Lord. His vision was of a nation and a world redeemed. He did not live to see the realization of his dreams. He died October 1st, 1912.

DeQuincy, in his tribute to Joan of Arc, says of her, or rather says to her, "To suffer and to do, that was thy portion in this life, that was thy destiny, and not for a moment was it hidden from thyself. Life, thou saidst, is short, and the sleep which is in the grave, is long; let me use that life, so transitory, for the glory of those heavenly dreams, destined to comfort the sleep which is so long."

If this friend did not enter as he had hoped, the promised land, he gained at least the Pisgah heights of vision and saw with faith's eye, what is yet to be.

(Signed) W. P. JOHNSTON,
DANIEL ADAMS,
H. H. GEORGE.

WILLIAM McLEOD GEORGE

was a workman that needed not to be ashamed. His term of service on earth was short. His rare qualities of heart and mind were devoted to his Master's service. To know him was to love him. To hear him was to be better for it. He was broad-minded and sympathetic. He was a son, a brother, a husband, a pastor, a friend, greatly beloved. He was unselfish, unassuming, diligent and efficient in the ministry of the gospel. He loved men. He worked for men. He gave himself for men. He counted not his life dear unto himself. He had the heavenly vision and was not disobedient unto it.

To him, Christ was all. With intensity of service, he became an exemplary agent of Divine power. In a brief period of service he led a small and discouraged flock to the front in work and liberality.

When laid aside by illness, he manifested his natural grit in the fight for health and life. He honored his Lord by patience and forbearance while ill. Even in weakness he talked, preached and wrote the message of Life, and gave himself unto prayer.

Why was he taken away in the time of such promise? In the time when the church and the world seemed to need him so much? The Master answers, "What I do thou knowest not now, but thou shalt know hereafter."

He has given to him the reward of the good and faithful.

Respectfully submitted,

A. A. SAMSON,
JAMES McCUNE,
EVAN W. JONES.

The Committee on the Sabbath reported. The report was amended, and adopted and is as follows:

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON THE SABBATH.

The question of Sabbath observance is one of great importance to all men, but it is of vital importance to the Christian. Without the Christian Sabbath it would be impossible long to perpetuate the Christian religion, or to maintain public morality. The setting apart by the whole community of one day in seven, wherein the thoughts of men and their physical activities shall be turned into another than their accustomed channel, is the greatest safeguard of national and spiritual life.

The spirit withers without it; it thrives in proportion to the fidelity of its observance. The enemies of Christianity understand this subject. They know that to make the Gospel of Jesus Christ of none effect and to undermine the Christian Church, they must blot out the Sabbath as a religious day. Therefore their most violent attacks are against this stronghold of the Christian religion.

It is a fact many times proven that the loosening of public conviction on this subject, and the allowed desecration of the Christian Sabbath is followed by corruption of the Church, and a decline in morality. On the contrary it is equally true, that the strict observance of the Sabbath, results in well kept laws, a purified Church and greater morality. Sir William Blackstone says: "A corruption of morals usually follows a profanation of the Sabbath." Who are the criminals who are executed by the state? With few exceptions they are Sabbath breakers. Who are the law breakers who fill our penitentiaries? A large percentage of them are Sab-

bath breakers. Who become maniacs and are sent to the insane asylums, or commit suicide? The great majority of them are desecrators of the Sabbath. Go through all the by-ways and highways of society from the lowest and most degraded of mankind, to the most wealthy and proud and ask, who are the vicious, who are the swearers, the thieves, the gamblers, murderers and adulterers? Who are sowing the seeds of death and the fire-brands of hell? The most comprehensive answer to these questions is, Sabbath breakers.

In speaking of Sabbath breakers we are accustomed to point to the railroads, mail service, newspapers, building contractors, saloons, theaters, base ball and auto riding for pleasure. We are constantly endeavoring to have laws passed and enforced which will prohibit the operation of all of these on the Sabbath day. Every Christian ought to labor for and rejoice in the prohibition of all such forms of Sabbath desecration, for they molest the devotions of those who would observe the Sabbath and have a tendency to destroy their feelings that the day is sacred. But let us not forget that the passing and enforcing of such laws do not insure the proper observance of the Sabbath. The fact that many postal clerks were relieved from service on the Sabbath Day, when the order was given that all first and second class postoffices should not be opened on Sabbath for the purpose of delivering mail to the general public; and the fact that many holding government positions at Washington were relieved from service on the Sabbath when President Wilson ordered the executive offices to be closed on the Sabbath, does not guarantee that these men will "spend the whole day in public and private exercises of God's worship." The man who has no more regard for the Sabbath than to accept a position which requires him to continue his regular labor on that day, will not be very likely to observe the Sabbath properly when free from labor on that day. Some may plead that it is an absolute necessity for them to accept positions and follow occupations which compel them to labor seven days in the week, in order to provide for themselves and those depending on them. But it never is. When a man gives up the effort to provide food and raiment for himself and those depending upon him without breaking God's command it is a lamentable evidence of his lack of faith in God.

They who have faith enough to trust in God and keep his commands, will never lack anything that is for their good. Making and enforcing laws to prevent Sabbath desecration is much like trying to stop the flow of the Mississippi River by damming it near its mouth instead of stopping its source; or trying to prevent drunkeness by persuading drunkards to take the Keely cure instead of prohibiting the manufacture of intoxicating liquor. The flood of Sabbath desecration can be checked most effectively by dealing with it in the heart, for that is where it has its source. In our own hearts first, then in the hearts of those in our own homes and our own congregations and our own denomination; by convincing that heart that teh Sabbath is an original, a permanent, and a Divine institution; that it is a sacred day, set apart for the worship of God as were the sacred vessels of the Temple. and to be used for nothing else; that to desecrate it is a sin which provokes the anger of our Creator. Earl Cairns of Great Britain, says: "The institution of the Sabbath is only maintained because the vast majority of the people of this country, irrespective of churches or denominations, are convinced that it depends, not on

human law, but upon a higher and greater law, which we are all bound in conscience to obey." The visible Sabbath desecration which we would restrain by human law is not the great source of this sin. Long before a person openly breaks the fourth command, he has broken it many times in thought and desire. The unnecessary work, the entertainment, the game, the pleasure ride, only give men an opportunity to display that which is within their hearts. Only by checking the evil desires of our hearts in this matter, will we be able to avoid the larger and more open forms of Sabbath desecration, to set an example of rectitude and influence others by our works.

Cyrus going to fight against Scythia, coming to a broad river and not being able to pass over it, cut and divided it into many arms and sluices, and so made it passable for all his army. So the great flood of Sabbath desecration is made up chiefly of small, individual, invisible offences against the Divine command; "remember the Sabbath day to keep it holy." If each one will reform his own small offense against the Sabbath we shall soon be past the flood itself. All the profanations of the Sabbath can not be conquered at once, but they can be conquered one by one by persistent faithfulness.

We submit the following resolutions:

1. That Synod renew its condemnation of every form of Sabbath desecration and urge our people to keep the Sabbath as a day sacred to the worship of God.

2. That our ministers be instructed to preach frequently on the subject of Sabbath observance, emphasizing the fact that the Sabbath is a primitive, a permanent and a Divine institution and giving practical and timely instruction as to its proper observance.

3. That sessions be urged to exercise a watchful oversight that members do not yield to any of the prevalent forms of Sabbath desecration, and when it is known that any one has turned aside from the strict observance of the Sabbath, reproof be administered before the offense becomes notorious and the conscience becomes seared.

4. That parents seek earnestly to impress upon the hearts of their children by precept and example, that the Sabbath is a holy day, and sacredly devote the day to their Christian instruction at home and in the sanctuary, and to strengthen them against yielding to the prevalent forms of Sabbath desecration about their homes.

5. That our ministers request the ministers of other denominations who live in their community, to unite with them in preaching on Sabbath observance.

H. G. PATTERSON,
THOS. McFALL,
H. H. GEORGE.

Committee on Nominations made final report, which was adopted and is as follows:

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON NOMINATIONS.

The Committee on Nominations recommend:

To fill vacancies on the Central Board of Missions that T. H. Acheson, R. J. G. McKnight, S. G. Conner, John Yates and J. C. Slater be chosen their own successors.

That the Clerk of Synod be directed to cast the ballot of Synod

for Jas. A. McAteer, J. H. McBurney and James S. Tibby to fill the vacancies in Synod's Board of Trustees.

That R. C. Montgomery, S. A. S. Metheny and John Buchanan be elected their own successors on the Jewish Mission Board, and that Findley M. Wilson be added.

That R. J. G. McKnight and J. C. Slater be elected their own successors on the committee on Witness Bearing.

That S. E. Greer and R. J. Allen be chosen their own successors on the Board of Control.

That Samuel Carmichael, R. J. Bole bechosen their own successors on the Board of Church Erection and that Arthur A. Samson be elected a member of the Board.

That M. M. Pearce and T. Sproull Trumbull be chosen their own successors on the Evangelistic Committee.

That Walter T. Miller be chosen his own successor on the Board of Corporators of Geneva College.

That A. Melville Thompson be appointed to reply to the telegram of Louis Meyer.

That M. M. Pearce be chosen his own successor on the Committee on Temperance.

That Wm. Esler, J. D. McAnlis, Walter T. Miller, W. J. Coleman be chosen their own successors on Board of Superintendents, and that M. M. Pearce and R. J. G. McKnight be added to the Board.

Nominations.

Committee to report next year with respect to our church's position on industrial ills and their remedy:

W. Henry George, J. M. Coleman, R. C. Wylie, S. M. Steele, D. C. McElhinney.

Judicial Commission to adjudicate the appeals and complaints and other matters from persons connected with Santa Ana Congregation:

W. J. McKnight, Samuel Edgar, H. G. Patterson, Isaiah Faris, Ruther Hargrave, A. A. Wylie, Thomas McFall, S. R. Davis. John Peoples, T. D. Russell.

Special Committee on plan of work in the Indian Mission:

D. H. Elliott, J. S. Thompson, J. C. McFeeters, W. R. Sterrett, James Torrens.

Committee on the proposal to rescind the action of Synod in 1889, in the matter of voting on amendments:

C. D. Trumbull, A. Kilpatrick, J. M. Coleman, T. M. Slater, J. C. Peoples, J. C. Calderwood, James Dow.

To prepare minutes on death of T. P. Stevenson:

W. P. Johnston, H. H. George, Daniel Adams.

Minutes on death of W. M. George:

Arthur A. Samson, James McCune, Evans Jones.

To co-operate with Geo. A. Edgar in revising rules governing Board of Control:

S. E. Greer, C. D. Trumbull, R. J. Allen.

To write letters of sympathy to ministers detained through illness from this session of Synod:

To Elmer Russell—Walter C. McClurkin.

To Louis Meyer—W. T. K. Thompson.

To I. A. Blackwood—A. Melville Thompson.

Committee on preparing Statistical Blanks:

T. H. Acheson, J. S. Tibby, J. C.Slater.

Committee on Psalm Selections:
J. C. Slater, T. C. Sproull, R. A. M. Steele.

Respectfully submitted,

FINDLEY M. WILSON,
W. W. CARITHERS,
J. B. GILMORE,
W. R. STERRETT,
WILL R. PORTER.

The Report of the Committee on Church Erection and Sustentation was read. The report was received and adopted, and is as follows:

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON CHURCH ERECTION AND SUSTENTATION.

Your committee would respectfully report that but one paper, the report of the Board of Church Erection, has been referred to us. The report shows that this Board holds a most important place in the work of the Church. As our homes are in a large measure a reflection of our ideals and purposes in life, so do our church homes show something of the delight and interest of the people in the house of God. It was a clear indication of the spiritual condition of Israel when the prophet charged that the people dwelt in ceiled houses, while the house of God was neglected. David vowed to find a place for the Lord, an habitation for the mighty God of Jacob, before seeking rest in the sleep of his eyes, and the slumber of his eyelids. We take it as a sign of awakened interest, when a congregation puts forth an effort to secure a suitable place of worship, which will be attractive and comfortable to those who worship in the Father's house. The house of worship should commend our Lord to those who know him not. The Board has been able during the past year to grant needed aid to call forth the liberality of the people in Kansas City and Stafford Congregations in providing new church homes, and in Denver and Vernon Congregations in making needed repairs upon their church buildings. These grants together with a former grant made to White Lake and paid this year makes a total of $4265.00. Of this sum $2365.00 has not yet been paid. Deducting this from the balance, $4682.29 reported by the treasurer, leaves a net balance of only $2317.29 to be used in the work of the year. This fact should be clearly before the church in making an offering for this important work.

We recommend:

That we recognize the faithful and efficient services of the late Wm. Browne, as a member of this board.

That the appropriations made by the Board be approved by Synod.

That the church be urged to greater liberality in the support of this work.

Respectfully submitted,

JOHN C. SLATER,
DANIEL ADAMS,
THOS. McFALL,
J. B. DODDS,
J. W. LUCAS.

REPORT OFB OARD OF CHURCH ERECTION.

Board of Church Erection would respectfully report:

During the past year your Board was called upon to part with one of its esteemed members, Mr. William Cooper Browne, whose death occurred December 5, 1912, at his home in Park Place, Brooklyn, New York.

Mr. Browne was a man of noble Christian character. As a member of the Board he was faithful, judicious and capable. His loss to the Board is deeply felt. His memory will be long cherished.

With respect to the business transacted by your Board during the year we would report, that applications for aid were received from several congregations.

Kansas City.

December 12, 1912, an application from Kansas City congregation was finally considered and their request for fifteen hundred dollars ($1500.00) was granted. Your Board was advised that this sum, together with amount subscribed by the congregation, would enable them to close in and finish basement of a new Church building, in a different and better location than that occupied by the building erected some years ago.

Additional advice was to the effect that the proceeds from the sale of the old church property would be almost, if not altogether, sufficient to complete the new building. New building to be of stone and stucco. Size of building, 40x65 feet.

Stafford.

March 3, 1913, an application from Stafford congregation was considered. The request in this application was for fourteen hundred dollars ($1400.00).

The purpose of this congregation is to build a new house of worship on the ground now occupied by an old one. Your Board was advised that the old building was in bad condition and quite inadequate to the needs of the congregation with their increasing opportunities for work. After full discussion a grant of one thousand dollars ($1,000.00) was made. At a later meeting a letter from the pastor, Rev. J. D. Edgar, was read. This letter gave further information concerning the condition and needs of the congregation, and likewise this, that unless the full amount asked be granted they could not see their way clear to proceed with the new building. After considering the matter carefully, an additonal grant of four hundred dollars ($400.00) was made. New building to be cement and frame with basement and auditorium. Size 30x42 feet. Cost about six thousand dollars ($6,000.00).

Denver and Vernon.

May 5, 1913, applications from Denver and Vernon were considered. The request from Denver was for four hundred dollars ($400.00), and that from Vernon for five hundred and sixty-five dollars ($565.00). These sums were to aid said congregations to make needed repairs on their church buildings. The requests were granted.

Treasurer's Report.

Balance, May 1, 1912	$ 3,403 95
Receipts.	
All sources	3,180 84
Total receipts	$ 6,384 79

Disbursements.		
White Lake Congregation	$ 400 00	
Kansas City Congregation	1,500 00	
Record Book for Secretary	2 50	
Total Disbursements		$ 1,902 50
Balance on hand, April 30, 1913		$ 4,682 29

This balance includes several grants which have not yet been paid.

The time for which R. J. Bole and Samuel Carmichael were elected has expired and their places should be filled. We recommend that A. A. Samson, pastor of 2nd New York congregation be elected as a member of the Board.

An appropriation of $4,000.00 is asked for the work of the present year.

The secretary was appointed to represent the Board on the floor of Synod.

R. C. MONTGOMERY, Secretary.

REPORT OF BOARD OF SUSTENTATION.

The Board of Sustentation would respectfully report:

The Board has held one meeting during the year. The receipts for the past year have been $545.22 which amount is now in the Treasury.

We recommend that this money be used to pay the supplement voted by last Synod to Pastors' salaries in Brooklyn, La Junta and Vernon.

As the supplement for these congregations has been advanced out of the Treasury of the Domestic Mission, we recommend that the balance on hand be turned over to the Domestic Mission.

JOHN YATES, Chairman.
R. J. G. McKNIGHT, Secretary.

The Committee on Sabbath Schools reported. The report was received and adopted, and is as follows:

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON SABBATH SCHOOLS.

The home is God's normal school and no other agency can ever take its place and do its work. The modern tendency to throw the burden of child training upon the day school and the Sabbath School is rearing a generation with too little regard for law and order. One need only refer to the recent strikes among school children as evidence of this fact. The first principles of citizenship must be learned in the home if the child is to have adequate preparation for the later duties of life.

But since the home so often fails because of industrial or moral reasons, to give the child the right start, the efforts of the school to supply the lack need special attention. The teacher needs to furnish precepts from the Bible, but as well example from his life. Children learn conduct very largely through imitation of those they admire and the teacher is often the hero for the boy. There will be no question in this Synod that one who is not a Christian should not be trusted with a class whatever his other qualities may be. An attractive teacher who uses tobacco, who utters vulgar expressions, who mixes profanity with his speech, who attends dances and theaters, would greatly influence pupils to follow his example. Children may

be slow to read books, but they are quick to read life and the impress of a teacher's life upon the children can not be safely neglected. Better a teacher that walks well than one that talks well, if one or other quality must be done without.

Also the course of study demands consideration. Children need to feel that they are learning something and one of the best methods to keep order is to keep the pupil busy thinking. Often the boy knows more about the best base ball pitchers than he does about Moses and David, but that is only because they mean more to him. As soon as he can be made to feel that Moses is a greater hero than Mathewson, he will change his allegiance. We need a progressive course and one that will make the student feel that he is ge'ting something at each stage. If he has too light a load, he is likely to run away with his teacher and away from the school. The kind of room in which the class meets has its influence. If it is rough and untidy, the child has a tendency to take the same tone. A disorderly room tends to make a disorderly class, while on the other hand, an attractive room tends to make an attractive child. Superintendents need to remember that the child has much of the character of the chameleon which takes the color of its surroundings and since the school can claim the pupil for but one hour in the week the impressions given need the greater attention.

We recommend:

1. That parents be urged to do the work of training the child which belongs to the home instead of leaving it for the teacher.
2. That only Christian teachers be employed, if possible those who have had actual religious experiences.
3. That in no case shall those using tobacco, vulgar expressions of speech, or profanity, or who dance or attend theaters, be employed in the Sabbath School.
4. That care be taken to make the room as attractive as the conditions permit.
5. That the course be arranged so that each class will have a task suited to the ability of the pupils.
6. That each member of the Sabbath School be urged to carry out the great commission by reaching those who have no one to care for their souls.

J. M. COLEMAN,
A. A. WYLIE,
G. A. EDGAR.

The Committee on Foreign Correspondence reported. The report was adopted, and is as follows:

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON FOREIGN CORRESPONDENCE.

The committee on Foreign Correspondence would respectfully report:

There were referred to us letters from the Northern, Southern, Eastern, and Western Presbyteries of the Reformed Presbyterian Church in Ireland concerning the work of Rev. J. W. McKnight; and a fraternal letter from the retiring moderator of the Reformed Presbyterian Church in Scotland. Letters in reply have been prepared and are submitted herewith.

Also, it was considered wise to prepare a fraternal letter to the Synod of the Reformed Presbyterian Church in Ireland, although

our Synod received no letter from that court this year. A letter is submitted herewith.

Signed, by the Committee:
PAUL COLEMAN,
A. A. SAMSON,
J. C. CALDERWOOD,
W. R. MARVIN,
W. M. ROBB.

The Committee on Foreign Correspondence submitted letters, to be signed by the officers of Synod, to be sent to the R. P. Synod of Ireland, to the Northern, Southern, Eastern aad Western Presbyteries of the R. P. Church of Ireland, and to Rev. J. P. Struthers of the R. P. Church of Scotland.

The Synod adopted the following resolutions:

By Paul Coleman: Whereas, We have experienced in this Synod a special presence of the spirit of God; feel a new faith and courage and a new unity for our work. Resolved, That in Christ's name we express our gratitude to God, and beseech Him that the blessing may continue, and become manifest throughout the church.

By George A. Edgar: Resolved, That the Financial Agents of Presbyteries be instructed to investigate, ascertain and publish to the church in ample time, the lowest rate obtainable from their various sections of the country to the meeting place of Synod.

By W. P. Johnston: Whereas, It is our duty to leave to those who come after us what has been of such value to ourselves, freedom of worship, and of person, and of speech, the public school system, the separation of Church and State, and privileges without number like these; therefore: Resolved, That we recognize in the Roman Catholic hierarchy a foe that would rob us of these blessings. And we recommend that pastors preach upon this subject, that our members be urged to read literature available on this subject, and to put this, when read, into the hands of others who need this information.

The Judicial Commission in charge of the Santa Ana case, reported. The report was adopted and is as follows:

Your Commission on the Santa Ana matters would respectfully report: The Judicial Commission appointed to consider the appeals and complaints brought against the Pacific Coast Presbytery by certain members of the Santa Ana congregation, met from time to time in the parlor of the Westminster Hotel and completed the work for which it was appointed. We held twelve meetings. The following is the finding of the Commission:.

I. The action of the Pacific Coast Presbytery, in dismissing the appeal of certain members of the Santa Ana congregation, with regard to the election of elders and deacons, was sustained.

II. The Presbytery's action in declining to receive an untransferred petition from the same parties was sustained.

III. With respect to the libels preferred against S. A. Milligan, L. A. Walkinshaw and J. I. McCarter, the following resolution was passed:

Resolved, That while we cannot sustain the Presbytery's action on certain counts in the libels, yet it is the unanimous decision of the Commission that the Presbytery's verdict be sustained, and chiefly for two reasons: First—That the accused had published, and caused to be circulated through the church, a leaflet which contained certain reflections upon the integrity and character of Mr. Greer, which reflections your Commission ascertained to be altogether unfounded in fact, and sufficient, accordingly, of themselves, to warrant the verdict and censure imposed. And secondly —That the circulation of the leaflet referred to was a means for the continuance of the very agitation which the accused had solemnly promised to discontinue.

The minutes of the Commission are herewith submitted.

W. J. McKnight, Moderator.
A. A. Wylie, Clerk.

MINUTES OF THE COMMISSION HAVING IN CHARGE THE SANTA ANA CASE.

Winona Lake, May 24, 1913, 3:00 p. m.

The Judical Commission appointed by Synod to receive the appeals and complaints of S. A. Milligan, L. A. Walkinshaw, J. I. McCarter, and matters concerning Santa Ana congregation, met and was called to order, and constituted with prayer by the Moderator, W. J. McKnight.

A. A. Wylie was chosen clerk. The following members were present: W. J. McKnight, R. Hargrave, S. Edgar, Isaiah Faris, Thomas McFall, H. G. Patterson, A. A. Wylie, T. D. Russell, John Peoples, S. R. Davis.

J. T. Mitchell and Adam Walkinshaw appeared and were received as representing the appellants. T. M. Slater, F. D. Frazer, and P. J. McDonald, as representing the Pacific Coast Presbytery.

The appeal and complaint of S. A. Milligan was first taken up for review.

Papers were read. Parties were heard. Pending the hearing of these the Commission took a recess until 7:00 p. m.

Prayer by T. D. Russell.

Same place, May 24, 1913, 7:00 o'clock p. m.

Commission met and was led in prayer by H. G. Patterson.

Roll call. All members present. Minutes of last meeting were read and approved.

The Commission continued the hearing of the parties on the appeal and complaint of S. A. Milligan.

The Commission voted to request Synod to allow them the privilege of sitting during the regular meeting of Synod. The permission being given, the Commission continued the hearing of parties.

The Commission then adjourned to meet at 7:45 a. m, Monday.

Prayer by R. Hargrave.

Same place, Monday, May 26, 1913, 7:45 a. m.

Commission met and was constituted with prayer by the Moderator. Roll call. All members present. Minutes of the last meeting read and approved.

The review of the case of S. A. Milligan was continued. Questions were asked. Motion to discontinue questioning, and take up the appeal and complaint of L. A. Walkinshaw.

Papers were read. The appeal and complaint of J. I. McCarter were taken up with this one. Papers were read. Pending the reading of these, recess was taken until 1:00 p. m.

Prayer by Isaiah Faris.

Same place, May 26, 1913, 1:00 o'clock.

Commission met and was led in prayer by John Peoples. Roll call. All members present, except T. D. Russell, who had been called home.

Minutes of the last meeting read and approved.

The reading of papers continued. Pending the reading of these recess was taken until 5:10 p. m.

Prayer by S. Edgar.

Same place, May 26, 1913, 5:10 p. m.

Commission met and was led in prayer by S. R. Davis. Roll call. All members present. Minutes of the last meeting read and approved.

Reading of papers was continued. Parties were heard. Pending the hearing of these recess was taken until 6:45. p. m.

Prayer by A. A. Wylie.

Same place, 6:45 p. m.

Commission met and was led in prayer by Thomas McFall. Roll call. All members present. The hearing of parties was continued. Adjourned to meet at 7:00 a. m. Tuesday.

Prayer by W. J. McKnight.

Same place, May 27, 1913, 7:00 o'clock a. m.

Commission met and was constituted with prayer by the Moderator.

Roll call. All members present. Minutes of the last meeting were read and approved. The hearing of the parties was resumed.

Parties were removed.

The action of the Presbytery in bringing these cases on *fama clamosa*, was sustained.

In the case of S. A. Milligan, the action of the Presbytery as to the relevancy of the charges one and two in the libel, was sustained.

Motion to sustain the action of Presbytery as to relevancy of the third charge. Pending the discussion of this the Commission took a recess until 1:00 o'clock, p. m.

Prayer by R. Hargrave.

Same place, 1:00 o'clock p. m.

Commission met and was led in prayer by Isaiah Faris.

Roll call. All members present. Minutes of the last meeting read and approved.

The discussion of the relevancy of the third charge was resumed.

Action of Presbytery was not sustained on this charge, as also on the fourth.

The action of Presbytery as to the relevancy of counts five, six, seven and eight were sustained. Commission took recess until 5:10 p. m.

Prayer by H. G. Patterson.

Same place, 5:10 p. m.

Commission met and was led in prayer by John Peoples. Roll call. All members present. Minutes of the last meeting were read and approved.

The libel against J. I. McCarter was taken up and reviewed as to the relevancy of the separate counts.

Count one was separated and Presbytery was not sustained in that part which refers to overruling protests, but was sustained on that part which refers to the postponement of communion.

Presbytery was not sustained on counts three and four. Presbytery was sustained on counts five, six, seven and eight.

The libel against L. A. Walkinshaw was then reviewed as to the relevancy of the charges.

Presbytery was sustained on counts one, two, five, six, seven, eight, nine and ten. Presbytery was not sustained on counts three and four.

The libel against S. A. Milligan was then reviewed with respect to the sufficiency of evidence to prove the guilt of the accused.

Presbytery was sustained on counts one, two, six, seven and eight, but was not sustained on the fifth count.

Commission took recess until 6:45.

Prayer by S. Edgar.

Same place, 6:45 p. m.

Commission met and was led in prayer by H. G. Patterson Roll call. All members present.

Libel against J. I. McCarter was reviewed as to the sufficiency of evidence to prove the guilt of the accused.

Presbytery was sustained on counts one, two, five, six, seven and eight.

Libel against L. A. Walkinshaw was reviewed for the same purpose.

Presbytery was sustained on counts one, two, five, six, seven, eight, nine and ten.

Commission adjourned to meet at 7:00 o'clock a. m., Wednesday.

Prayer by Isaiah Faris.

Same place, May 28, 1913, 7:00 o'clock a. m.

Commission met and was constituted with prayer by the Moderator.

Roll call. All members present, except John Peoples. Minutes of last meeting were read and approved.

J. T. Mitchell and Adam Walkinshaw, as representatives of the appellants, T. M. Slater and F. D. Frazer, as representatives of the Presbytery being present, the paper containing an appeal from the decision of the Pacific Coast Presbytery, sustaining the action of the Santa Ana Session in holding and ordaining and installing certain elders and deacons, was taken up. Papers were read and parties heard.

A second paper appealing from and complaining of the action of Pacific Coast Presbytery in permitting members of the commission who had tried the case before to sit on the retrying of the case. This paper was withdrawn.

A third paper, the complaint of certain members of the Santa Ana congregatian against the action of G. N. Greer and the Pacific Coast Presbytery, was taken up. Papers read. Parties heard.

The parties were removed. The action of Presbytery concerning paper No. 1 was sustained. The action of Presbytery in respect to paper No. 3 was sustained.

The action of Presbytery as to the sentence imposed was sustained in the following resolution, presented to the Commission:

Resolved, That while we cannot sustain the Presbytery's action on certain counts in the libels, yet it is the unanimous decision of the Commission that Presbytery's verdict be sustained, and chiefly for two reasons:

1st. That the accused had published and caused to be circulated through the church, a leaflet which contained certain reflections upon the integrity and character of Mr. Greer, which reflec-

tions your Commission ascertained to be altogether unfounded in fact, and sufficient, accordingly, of themselves, to warrant the verdict and the censure imposed; and

2nd. That the circulation of the leaflet referred to was a means for the continuance of the very agitation which the accused had solemnly promised to discontinue.

Before taking the vote the Commission engaged in prayer, all members taking part. Pending the discussion of the motion, Commission took recess to meet at the call of the Moderator.

Prayer by H. G. Patterson.

Same place, 1:00 o'clock p. m.

Commission met and was led in prayer by R. Hargrave. Roll call. Members all present, except John Peoples.

Minutes of the last meeting were read and approved.

The resolution to sustain Presbytery in the sentence imposed was passed.

Minutes of the Commission were approved.

Commission adjourned with prayer by Thomas McFall.

W. J. McKnight, Moderator,
A. A. Wylie, Clerk.

Minutes of the afternoon session of Synod were read, corrected and approved.

Synod adjourned with prayer by D. B. Willson, and singing the 133rd Psalm, and benediction by the Moderator, to meet in Bloomington, Indiana, June 3rd, 1914, at 10:30 a. m.

A. I. Robb, *Moderator*,
John C. French, *Clerk*,
George A. Edgar, *Assistant Clerk*.

STATISTICS OF THE PRESBYTERIES FOR THE YEAR ENDING APRIL 30, 1913

COLORADO

CONGREGATIONS	MINISTERS	ADDRESS	Elders	Deacons	Increase in Membership	Decrease in Membership	Communicants	Baptisms	Sabbath School Attend'ce	Young People's Society Attendance	CONTRIBUTIONS: Syrian Mission	Mission in China	Home Mission	Southern Mission	Indian Mission	Jewish Mission	Theological Seminary	Church Erection	National Reform	Testimony Bearing	Aged Ministers' Fund	Widows' and Orphans' Fund	Salary paid by Congregation	Miscellaneous	Total
Denver	John C. French	293 South Clarkson	4	6	10	6	89	4	a125	20	$ 38	$ 87	$	$	$	$	$	$212	$	$	$	$	1400	$ 825	$ 2562
Evans	W. J. McBurney	Evans, Colo.	3	3			48	3	50	15	41	49	17	14	11	7	6	10	15	11	2	3	750	361	1297
Greeley	F. F. Reade	1017 19th St., Greeley	4	7	13	2	79	1	43	20	182	113	13	37	31	4	6	4	21	11	1	3	807	691	1924
LaJunta	E. A. Crooks	LaJunta, Colo.	3	2			40	b3	80	20	203	93							12				900	365	1573
Canon City Mis. Sta.	(c)																								
	Samuel Edgar	Latakia, Syria																							
	John K. Robb	Tak Hing Chau, China																							
	J. T. Wilson	Boulder, Colo.																							
	H. B. McMillan	Greeley, Colo.																							
	Elmer Russell	Greeley, Colo.																							
No. Congregations 4	No. of Ministers 9	Totals	14	18	23	15	256	11	298	75	464	342	30	51	42	11	12	226	48	22	3	6	3857	2242	7356

(a) 15 in Cradle Roll. (b) 2 Adults. (c) Jas. T. Wilson, Jr., Cor., Canon City, Colo.

ILLINOIS

CONGREGATIONS	MINISTERS	ADDRESS	Elders	Deacons	Increase in Membership	Decrease in Membership	Communicants	Baptisms	Sabbath School Attend'ce	Young People's Society Attendance	CONTRIBUTIONS: Syrian Mission	Mission in China	Home Mission	Southern Mission	Indian Mission	Jewish Mission	Theological Seminary	Church Erection	National Reform	Testimony Bearing	Aged Ministers' Fund	Widows' and Orphans' Fund	Salary paid by Congregation	Miscellaneous	Total
St. Louis	G. A. Edgar	1221 A Walton Ave.	4	4	2	2	44		60		$110	$160	$ 52	$ 26	$ 26	$ 10	$ 16	$ 16	$ 10	$ 20	$ 16	$	$918	$ 1201	$ 2581
Church Hill		R. K. Wisely, Coulterville, Ill.	3	4		16	41	2	35	12										3			310	73	386
Princeton	M. S. McMillan	738 E State St., Princeton, Ind.	4	5		2	60		40	15	66	70	40	28	31	18	8	6	19	19	4	8	†720	437	1474
Bethel	H. G. Foster	Sparta, Ill.	3	3		8	58		45		84	83	51	17	20	7	8	12	9	19		9		936	1255
Selma	S. F. Kingston	822 Union St., Selma, Ala.	4	5	4	3	83	* 4	103	55	48	38	7	8		1		3	7	5	1	2	448	404	972
Bloomington		J.R.Kennedy, Bloo'ington,Ind.	5	8	3	2	111	4	142	25	125	135	122	33	55	18	15	16	34	43	5	9	375	1530	2515
Old Bethel	D. C. Mathews	Houston, Ill.	6	5	5	10	108	3	90		227	140	131	43	37	19	23	83	53	37	7	10	850	466	2126
Oakdale		J. C. Thompson, Oakdale, Ill.	7	5	2	5	151	3	162	31	57	80	43	43	68	18	1	7	23	17	5	5	800	246	1413
	D. S. Faris	Sparta, Ill.																							
	W. S. Fulton	Lyford, Texas																							
	G. R. Steele	Burgettstown, Pa.																							
	M. A. Gault	Oakdale, Ill.																							
No. Congregations 8	No. of Ministers 9	Totals	36	39	16	48	656	16	677	138	717	706	446	198	237	91	71	143	155	163	38	43	4421	5293	12722

*2 Adults

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Chicago	Thos. C. McKnight	6534 Champlain Ave	4	3	7	1	46	5	125		$ 95	$105	$ 6	$	$ 7	$	$	$ 25	$	$ 10	$	$	$1400	$ 561	$ 2209
Hopkinton	Geo. S. Coleman	Hopkinton, Iowa	7	3	12	2	92	3	46	15	170	102	32	38	30	15	11	11	41	15	5	8	1000	568	2046
Hickory Grove		D.C.Nichol, 121 N.10th St.Albia	4	3			18		30					4	2	3	3				2	3		259	276
Lake Reno	F. E. Allen	Glenwood, Minn.	5	6	13	2	81	3	41	12	103	64	31	11	17	8	10	12	22	7	3	6	*700	674	1668
Morning Sun	C. D. Trumbull	Morning Sun, Iowa	3	3	11	7	140	1	110	32	524	318	335	266	187	53	30	27	114	58	9	15	1025	2143	5104
Rehoboth		S.O.Carson,Crawfordsville,Ia.	3	2	2		31	1	21		202	68	20	51	59	11	9	7	31	10	22	500	120		1110
Sharon	E. L. McKnight	Morning Sun, Iowa	7	6	5	5	187	4	131	25	741	397	272	239	254	96	54	54	328	98	25		*1000	2094	5652
Washington	S. E. Greer	321 E. Washington St.	4	4	4	1	60	2	51	12	167	79	11	71	24	7	9	8	25	10	5	8	967	530	1921
Vernon	H. G. Patterson	Waukesha, Wis.	2	3	1	1	37	1	35		26	6	15	9	14	6	6	4		5		4	*535	458	1088
	J. A. Black	7628 Union Ave., Chicago																							
	J. S. McGaw	209 9th St., Pittsburg, Pa.																							
	R. E. Willson	Mersine, Asia Minor																							
No. Congregations 9	No. of Ministers 11	Totals	39	33	55	19	692	20	590	96	2028	1139	722	6890	594	199	132	148	561	213	71	544	6747	7287	21074

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NEW BRUNSWICK AND NOVA SCOTIA

St. John	D. Bruce Elsey	49 Spring St., St. John, N. B.	1		1	3	29			10	$ 5	$ 5	$ 45	$	$	$	$	$	$	$	$	$	$500	$ 1030	$ 1585
Barnesville		W.J. Curry, Barnsville, N. B.	1				22		20																
Cornwallis	Thos. McFall	Somerset, Nova Scoita	2			3	52		15		83	45	45	15	15		10		2	3	4	4	400	24	650
No. Congregations 3	No. of Ministers 2	Totals	4		1	6	103		45	10	88	50	90	15	15		10		2	3	4	4	900	1054	2235

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Beulah, l	James T. Mitchell	Bostwick, Nebr.	3	3	1	24	66	2	90		$102	$ 89	$ 23	$ 48	$ 33	$ 47	$ 8	$ 7	$ 10	$ 19	$ 2	$ 5	n800	$ 251	$ 1444
Billings	H. G. Foster	Billings, Okla.	5	4	5		91	2	50	13	65	54	13	28	50	25	6	5	9	11	3	3	839	361	1472
Cache Creek	W.W.Carithers, S.S.	Apache, Okla.	4	3	22	10	105	a12	255		184	184	130	65	41	25	55			346	15	25		328	1398
Clarinda, l	H. G. McConaughy	Clarinda, Iowa	6	6	8	4	124	6	145	15	333	209	242	113	78	33	37	51	48	115	10	15	n1000	692	2976
Denison		Geo. C. Robb, Mayetta, Kan.	4	3	3	5	112		120	25	134	169	68	43	36	30	25	44	20	62	10	16	487	603	1747
Eskridge	W. A. Aiken	Eskridge, Kansas	8	4	5	7	106	1	133	28	158	62	31	41	55	19	15	17	16	14	5	6	800	347	1586
Hebron	J. R. W. Stevenson	Idana, Kansas	3	3	12	3	64	1	91	25	42	30	32	10	10	6		10	19	10	2	3	600	258	1032
Kansas City	J. M. Wylie	4247 Wyoming St., Kn City, Mo.	5	5	7	7	70	1	50	20	25	11	9	36	24	4		1138	9	5			1063	551	2875
Long Branch, l	Paul Coleman	Blanchard, Iowa	5	5	8	4	93	b 13	70	25	95	324	64	23	26	21	12	12	21	30	2	4	n900	c 1830	3364
Olathe		W. S. Mitchell, Olathe, Kan.	3	6	20	8	151	d 9	150	20	285	594	169	103	47	15	17	377	193	22	6	10	1300	685	e f3823
Quinter	J. G. McElhinney	Quinter, Kansas	5	5	6	14	101	7			59	5	8	9	11	7	3	5		13	1	2	g530	387	1040
Stafford	J. D. Edgar	Stafford, Kansas	3	4	13		38	2	35	18	13	15	8	6	7	3	2	6	53	4	2	1	554	429	1103
Sterling		J. M. Adams, Sterling, Kansas	7	7	5	13	142	5	131		120	126	112	106	68	30	23	2295	70	70	5	8	1056	965	5054
Superior	J. M. Johnston, h	Superior, Nebr.	5	2	7	5	81	5	70	35	50	51	50										1300	263	1714
Tabor	O. F. Thompson	Idana, Kansas	3	3	4	1	i 47	2	60	25	31	36	17	12	9		7		5	6	2	2	600	300	1027
Topeka, l		S. G. Thompson, care of State Board of Health, Topeka, Kan.	5		6	7	75		71	15	91	123	101	54	33	20	33	31	26	22	12	21	900	915	2382
Winchester, l	D. H. Elliott	Winchester, Kansas	10	7	12	5	207	7	104	58	361	357	325	213	160	67	92	130	274	112	35	56	n1200	2018	5400
Wahoo		S. H. Carlisle, Wahoo, Nebr.	1	1			8				30	10		5	20								j 22	k 58	145
Lieb, Mis Station, m		S. M. McCloy, Lieb, Texas																							
	D. H. Coulter	1410 W. 11th St., Topeka, Kan.																							
	Isaiah Faris	1517 W. 6th St., Topeka, Kan.																							
	J. W. Dill	Sterling, Kansas																							
	Geo. R. McBurney	Quinter, Kansas																							
	A. J. McFarland	Latakia, Syria																							
	J. Ralston Wylie	Lieb, Hutchinson Co., Texas																							
	A. M. Thompson	Eskridge, Kansas																							
	J. Boggs Dodds	Sterling, Kansas																							
	R. A. Boyd	Stafford, Kansas																							
No. Congregations 18	No. of Ministers 22	Totals	85	71	144	117	1681	75	1625	322	2178	2449	1402	915	708	352	335	4128	773	861	112	177	13951	11241	39582

a. Adults 7. b. Adults 4. c. $1270 paid for manse. d. Adults 4. e. Schemes include only 10 months collections. f. Started weekly offering July 1, 1912.
g. $147 of this for salary 1911-12. h. W. J. Elliott, Clerk of Session. i. Roll purged. j. For supplies. k. For sidewalks, $50. l. Manse. m. No report. n. And Manse.

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Barnet	D. C. Faris	Box 38, R. D. 4, Groton, Vt.	4	2	1		57	1	75		$ 57	$ 83	$ 31	$ 15	$ 41	$ 6	$ 3	$ 9	$	$ 12	$ 4	$ 6	$ 645	$ 72	$ 984
1st Boston	(a)		6	3		125	75	4	25		60							955					b767	1327	3109
2nd Boston	J. M. Foster	44 S. Russell St., Boston, Mass.	3	4	4	2	65	2	60		80	10	5	20	4	2	3	25	150	50	2	2	700	800	1853
Bovina		T. D. Russell, Bovina, N. Y.	5	3	1	5	61	1	55		32	85	46	27	28	10	17	14		20	6	7	800	290	1432
Brooklyn	R. C. Montgomery	6605 Lawton Ave., Philadel'a, Pa	4	2	3	4	32		20		64	79	22	11	11	4	7	22	18	8	4	3	1300	257	1810
Cambridge	R. C. Reed	1524 Cambridge St., Cam. Mass.	4	6	7	7	65	e2	90	f65	23	33	53	6	6		5	90		6	4	6	1035	513	1780
Coldenham	R. J. Dodds	Walden, N. Y.	4	4	3	3	57	c2			25	20			5				20	5			600	70	745
Montclair	(d)		2	3	3		20	2	30		37	37	24	12	12	5	7	7	15	9	3	4	150	244	566
1st Newburg	John W. F. Carlisle	Newburgh, N. Y.	2	4	1	15	140	3	110	60	275	143	25	107	63	26	20	260	13				1500	700	3132
2nd Newburg	J. R. Thompson	Newburgh, N. Y.	2	3	10	5	155	11	100		57	20	25			4		200	50			25	1200	700	2281
2nd New York	A. A. Samson	54 Morningside Drive, New Y.	11	8	24	11	238	c 3	180	25	693	462	130	90	90	44	32	32	167		12	20	2500	3682	7954
	*R. M. Sommerville	325 W. 56th St., New York																							
3rd New York	F. M. Foster	335 W. 29th St., New York	4	7	9	19	153	4	125		420	164	83	41	37	18	14	33	20	80	7	11	2500	2240	5668
Ryegate	D. O. Faris, S. S.	Box 38, R. 4, Groton, Vt.	2	1			16				40	28	25	14	14	9	6	2	13	14	1	1		8	175
Walton	Arch. A. Johnston	64 Griswold St., Walton, N. Y.	6	5	4	6	93	3	119	38	271	300	82	187	50	21	24	34	92	26	9	16	900	1014	3026
West Hebron	Samuel G. Shaw	West Hebron, N. Y.	3	2		4	30	2	33		37	33	54	16	13		5		1		5		400	112	676
White Lake	John H. Pritchard	White Lake, N. Y.	4	3	2	12	46	c2	51		33	27	18	16	16	11	15	247	12	10	7	12	500	102	1026
	A. I. Robb	Tak Hing Chau, South China																							
	Julius Kempf	Tak Hing Chau, South China																							
	T. A. Rusk	Shelbourne Ave., Londale, Pa.																							
	Walter McCarroll	Larnaca, Cyprus																							
	Thomas Patton	Morning Sun, Iowa																							
	W. G. Robb	Cedarville, Ohio																							
No. Congregations 16	No. Ministers 19	Totals	66	59	72	218	1303	42	1073	188	2254	1524	623	562	390	160	158	1930	571	240	64	113	15497	12131	36217

a. John C. Calderwood, 34 Laurel St., Somerville, Mass. b. Salary for 6 mos. c. 1 Adult. d. A. J. Harding, 84 Greenwood, Ave., Monclair, N. J.
e. 2 adults. f. 35 Juniors. * Pastor Emeritus.

OHIO

CONGREGATIONS	MINISTERS	ADDRESS	Elders	Deacons	Increase in Membership	Decrease in Membership	Communicants	Baptisms	Sabbath School Attend'ce	Young People's Society Attendance	CONTRIBUTIONS: Syrian Mission	Mission in China	Home Mission	Southern Mission	Indian Mission	Jewish Mission	Theological Seminary	Church Erection	National Reform	Testimony Bearing	Aged Ministers' Fund	Widows' and Orphans' Fund	Salary paid by Congregation	Miscellaneous	Total
Belle Center	S. R. Wallace	Belle Center, O.	2	---	---	5	32	---	30	15	$ 53	$ 53	$ 54	$ 23	$ ---	$ ---	$ ---	$ ---	$ 4	$ 9	$ 2	$ 2	b527	$ c122	$ 849
Bellefontaine	J. M. Faris	Bellefontaine, O.	2	---	2	2	35	---	36	---	35	31	21	8	14	9	6	5	10	11	2	4	350	106	612
Cedar Lake	D. O. Jack	Ray, Ind.	5	d1	8	4	92	(e)	80	18	104	109	23	29	33	3	6	4	91	5	3	4	800	341	1555
Cedarville	----------	W. R. Sterrett, Cedarville, O.	3	(d)	---	7	37	---	28	15	61	29	27	28	10	10	11	6	19	7	4	7	366	f287	872
Cincinnati	----------	J. E. Huheey, Batavia O. R-5	3	4	4	1	51	1	75	---	75	50	20	10	11	5	6	---	75	19	2	4	570	180	1027
Detroit (a)	----------	J.C.Cannon, 1281 MaudRv. Ave	3	2	---	5	18	---	10	---	10	25	20	10	---	---	---	---	---	---	20	10	g33	h10	138
Fairgrove	----------	J. S. Wylie, Fairgrove, Mich.	4	1	---	2	26	---	15	---	6	5	---	---	---	---	---	---	3	---	---	---	135	38	187
Hetherton	----------	A. A. Logan, Hetherton, Mich.	5	3	1	4	53	2	40	17	11	10	5	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	g 275	84	385
Jonathan's Creek	R. W. Piper	White Cottage, Mich.	3	2	1	2	37	---	50	15	65	95	19	15	17	10	8	7	23	10	3	5	800	175	1252
New Concord	John Coleman	New Concord, O.	5	4	---	7	63	---	37	12	51	39	20	17	23	5	9	5	35	22	3	6	800	495	1530
Southfield	W. M. Robb	Birmingham, Mich.	4	4	4	5	61	3	26	---	85	67	29	20	17	15	13	14	15	20	3	4	j369	k383	1054
United Miami	R. Hargrave	Huntsville O., R.-2	7	5	3	7	116	i4	126	50	203	108	109	50	40	20	17	16	34	23	6	10	800	525	1961
Utica	----------	F. W. Campbell, Utica, O.	4	1	---	3	61	1	50	20	84	63	5	12	17	5	7	---	202	12	---	4	-----	754	1165
----------	R. A Blair	Olathe Kansas	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---
----------	Louis Meyer	104 Mason St., Cincinnati, O.	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---
----------	E. C. Mitchell	Do Sing, South China	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---
----------	W. J. Sanderson	Selma, Ala, (su., Cedarville O.)	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---
----------	E. G. Elsey	Glenwood, Minn.	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---
Londonderry (l)	----------	----------	---	---	---	---	13	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---
Muskingum & T., (l)	----------	John Robinson, Dresden, O.	---	---	---	---	6	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---
No. Congregations 12	No. Ministers 12	Totals	50	28	23	54	701	11	603	162	843	684	352	222	182	82	83	57	511	138	48	60	5825	3500	12587

a. Disorganized May 6, 1913. b. Including manse $100. c. Including $10 for Geneva College. d. Three trustees. e. Adults 4. f. Including $8 Student's Aid, $3 Aged People's, $6 Temperance and People'sHome. $6 Geneva College. g. Supplies. h. Geneva College. i. 1 Adult. j. For 11 months. k. Including $12 for Aged 1. Mission Station.

PACIFIC COAST

Content	----------	R. J. Campbell, Delburne, Can.	3	3	---	---	19	---	28	---	$ ---	$ ---	$ 3	$ ---	$ ---	$ ---	$ ---	$ ---	$ ---	$ ---	$ ---	$ ---	$103	$ ---	$ 106
Los Angeles	P. J. McDonald	906 East 28th St.	5	4	22	2	82	a4	75	36	143	143	87	46	46	23	29	28	72	36	29	---	1275	943	2900
Portland	F. D. Frazer	1206 Haight Ave.	2	3	5	7	25	2	60	---	50	50	25	15	15	7	12	8	5	15	4	7	500	202	915
Regina	J. G. Reed	1558 Garnet St.	3	4	9	1	49	1	35	15	92	70	31	18	11	16	9	16	39	18	17	---	882	1141	2360
Santa Ana	Geo. N. Greer	720 East Third St.	4	4	7	5	76	1	60	22	22	65	11	13	8	---	5	7	10	11	3	---	674	397	1226
Seattle	T. M. Slater	1805 Bellevue Ave.	5	7	10	11	130	b6	200	40	280	195	182	46	45	35	20	38	20	60	8	12	1400	1405	3746
Hemet (Mis. Sta.)	----------	L. M. Samson, Hemet, Calif.	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---
Oakland (Mis. Sta)	----------	Mrs. W.C.Allen, 1028 E. 15th St.	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---
----------	Wm. C. Allen	1028 E. 15th St., Oakland, Calif.	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---
----------	J. M. Armour	123 Melrose Ave., Seattle	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---
----------	I. A. Blackwood	2767 Zephyr Ave., Pittsbu'g, Pa.	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---
----------	J. S. Thompson, D.D.	Hemet, Calif.	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---

PHILADELPHIA

CONGREGATIONS	MINISTERS	ADDRESS	Elders	Deacons	Increase in Membership	Decrease in Membership	Communicants	Baptisms	Sabbath School Attend'ce	Young People's Society Attendance	CONTRIBUTIONS																
											Syrian Mission	Mission in China	Home Mission	Southern Mission	Indian Mission	Jewish Mission	Theological Seminary	Church Erection	National Reform	Testimony Bearing	Aged Ministers' Fund	Widows' and Orphans' Fund	Salary paid by Congregation	Miscellaneous	Total
First Ch. Philadelphia		W. G. Carson, 205 S. 42d St.	6	5	21	17	168	1	82	41	$140	$328	$ 76	$ 47	$ 47	$ 25	$ 33	$ 23	$ 79	$ 25	$ 13	$ 10	$	$ 4197	$ 5043
Second Ch. Philade'ia	J. C. McFeeters	649 N. 22d St.	6		7	23	164	4	120	26	530	200	294	69	48	17	27	82	80	34	14	13	2000	1240	4648
Third Ch. Philadelp'a	F. M. Wilson	2517 N. Franklin St.	7	4	14	6	170	8	205	45	805	2516	2208	83	111	32	29	29	600	21	26	27	1800	5025	13312
	E. J. Fuersohn	500 Catharine St.																							
No. Congregations 3	No. Ministers 3	Totals	19	9	42	46	502	13	407	112	1475	3044	2578	199	206	74	89	134	759	80	53	50	3800	10462	23003

ROCHESTER

Almonte	G. M. Robb	Almonte, Ont.	4	4	2		72	2	60		$186	$152	$ 62	$ 38	$ 35	$ 18	$ 19	$ 23	$ 2	$ 23	$ 8	$ 13	a910	$ 480	$ 1969
Lisbon		Wm. Robson, Lisbon, N.Y.	3	2		3	26	2	8				19	4	8	6	3			6	2	3	*267	94	412
Lochiel	J. R. Latimer	Brodie, Ont.	3	3	1		30	2	27		69	69	96	24	24	12	10	10		27	4	6	a525	224	1100
Syracuse	A. A. Wylie	109 Dougall Ave. Syracuse, N.Y.	5	4	1	6	60	2	45	35	122	56	38	15	15	6	10	10		16	10		*900	612	1810
York	J. B. Gilmore	York, N. Y.	5	c4		2	82	1	66	30	169	86	48	32	24	15	19	19	26	20	4	7	†900	793	2162
‡Sterling Mission Sta.		H. Dugan 211 W. Newell, Syr's					7				5	5	5		5				5		2	3		18	48
	Wm. M. McFarland	204 W. Lafayette Ave. Syrac'se																							
No. Congregations 5	No. Ministers 5	Totals	20	17	4	11	282	9	206	65	551	368	268	113	111	57	61	62	33	92	30	32	3502	2221	7501

‡ Last year's report c Trustees * 8 months a Including manse † 10 months

PITTSBURG

CONGREGATIONS	MINISTERS	ADDRESS	Elders	Deacons	Increase in Membership	Decrease in Membership	Communicants	Baptisms	Sabbath School Attendance	Young People's Society Attendance	CONTRIBUTIONS: Syrian Mission	Mission in China	Home Mission	Southern Mission	Indian Mission	Jewish Mission	Theological Seminary	Church Erection	National Reform	Testimony Bearing	Aged Ministers' Fund	Widows' and Orphans' Fund	Salary paid by Congregation	Miscellaneous	Total
											$	$	$	$	$	$	$	$	$	$	$	$	$	$	$
Adamsville and Middletown		R. J. McCracken, R. F. D. 49 West Sunbury, Pa.	2			9	12																		
Allegheny	W. J. Coleman	1205 Boyle St., N. S., Pittsburg	5		4	11	130	1	160	40	435	245	537	403	273	57	57	628	99	110	404	673	2000	1582	7503
Bear Run & Mahoning	E. M. Elsey	Glenn Campbell, Penn.	4			6	41	1	25	15	34	35	21	27	30	2	5		5	14	3	4	500	236	916
Beaver Falls		Wm. Pearce, 712 19th St.	5	4	6	16	94	5	125		13	70	19	31	48	4	4		21	7	4			1114	1335
Brookland	P. P. Boyd	5485 Hays St., Pittsburg, Pa.	2	1		4	19		20		3		3				2	3		4	3		150	42	210
Central Allegheny	John Yates	8 Lafayette Ave., N. S., Pittsburg, Penn.	5		5	4	148	2	200	25	224	157	337	126	62	5	8	555	25	5	4	6	1600	1457	4571
Clarksburg		Robt. Henry, Saltsburg, Pa.	2	2		2	14				10	5												55	70
College Hill	R. H. Martin	3400 4th Ave., Beaver Falls, Pa.	7	5	5	7	171	3	270	55	151	251	51	141	73	10	17	423	419	21	8	6	1500	1056	4127
Geneva	J. C. Slater	415 31st St., Beaver Falls, Pa.	3	4	2	10	86	1	125	25	165	145	83	65	150	25	12	1550	22	105	8	10	1100	640	4080
East End	M. M. Pearce	6919 Frankstown Ave. Pittsb'rg	6	5			72		48	18	62	61	55	113	51	11	15	30	26	15	6	6	1100	1120	2671
Little Beaver		R. S. Young, New Galilee, Pa.	3	3		2	56		35		21	20	18	8	10	5	7	3	45	11	3	4		21	176
McKeesport and Monongehela	James McCune	1019 Jennie Lind St., McKeesport, Penn.	3		3	3	42		[2]105		31	31	70	10	21	4	6	6	7	32	2	4	511	329	1064
Mercer	W. T. K. Thompson	Mercer, Penn.	5	5	9	4	60	3	50		70	84	44	16	29	7	5	7	6	22	3	4	600	160	1057
Millers Run	S. G. Conner	R. F. D. 2, Canonsburg, Pa.	3				49		50		157	167	73	86	96	14	31	23	59	28	23		800	375	1932
New Alexandria	S. M. Morrow	New Alexandria, Penn.	6	3	1	3	108	4			219	146	54	30	41	16	19	19	30	14	8	18	1000		1614
New Castle	S. J. Johnston	605 Oak Ave., New Castle, Pa.	6	10	2	15	180	12	210	45	126	85	126	68	68	60	18	1221	112	20	5	5	1283	1105	4302
North Union	P. P. Boyd	5485 Hays St., Pittsburg, Pa.	3			5	24	3	15		7	6	9	6	6	4	5	4		4	6		250	142	449
Oil Creek	S. J. Crowe	318 Shaw St., New Castle, Pa.	1	2		2	8				10	5	5	5			5	73	50		5	5	215	60	438
Pine Creek	A. Kilpatrick	Valencia, Penn.	2		1		17	1	20		20	12	18	11	11	5	4	4	10	4	2	3	250	[3]342	696
Union	A. Kilpatrick	Valencia, Penn.	4	3	1	1	52		50		38	20	32	22	20	10	6	344	13	6	2	3	280	205	1001
Rehoboth	E. M. Elsey	Glen Campbell, Penn.	5			1	28		10		15	15	4	15	15	4	4	4		4	4	4	200	50	338
Parnassus	Robert Park	Parnassus, Penn.	6	5	4	4	85	3	80	21	79	77	45	35	37	16	15		38	28	6	9	1000	574	1959
Pittsburg	T. H. Acheson	117 W. McIntyre Ave., N.S. Pt'g	5	7	11	9	190	1	100	60	401	323	279	139	176	62	86	87	632	19	43	43	2000	*2584	6874
Slippery Rock	W. O. Ferguson	R. F. D. 6, New Castle, Penn.	4	2	3	3	71	1	85	20	14	5		29	25	5			11				[4]589	331	1009
Wilkinsburg	R. J. G. McKnight	718 John St., Wilkinsburg, Pa.	4		3	7	138	2	a164	53	324	412	396	104	254	48	63	62	143	88	32	32	1900	1864	5722
Youngstown	J. M. Johnston	Youngstown, Penn.	4	3	4	1	53		60	12	29	22	15		10			1	18				c108	500	703
	R. C. Allen	Grove City, Penn.																							
	T. J. Allen	Beaver Falls, Penn.																							
	J. M. Coleman	Beaver Falls, Penn.																							

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	C. A. Dodds	Black Mountain, N. C.																							
	J. C. K. Faris	238 Alice St., S. S. P'ttsb'rg, Pa.																							
	H. H. George	Beaver Falls, Pa.																							
	W. H. George	Beaver Falls, Pa.																							
	W. P. Johnston	Beaver Falls, Pa.																							
	George Kennedy	Beaver Falls, Pa.																							
	J. S. Martin	Beaver Falls, Pa.																							
	D. C. Martin	401 N. Highla'd Ave., Pit'b'g, Pa.																							
	T. A. McElwain	New Castle, Pa, R. F. D.																							
	A. J. McFarland	Beaver Falls, Pa.																							
	R. J. McIsaac	Beaver Falls, Pa.																							
	W. J. McKnight	1623 Salina St., Syracuse, N. Y.																							
	J. L. Pinkerton	Waupaca, Wis.																							
	B. M. Sharp																								
	T. C. Sproull	7371 Monticello St., Pittsb'g, Pa																							
	J. S. Stewart	Latakia, Syria																							
	D. R. Taggart	Tak Hing Chau, China																							
	D. B. Willson	Buena Vista St., N.S., Pittsbu'g.																							
	J. R. Wylie	Beaver Falls, Pa.																							
	R. C. Wylie	119 W McInt're Ave. N.S. Pits'g																							
No. Congregations 26	No. of Ministers 42	Totals	105	64	64	129	1948	43	2007	389	2658	2399	2294	1490	1506	374	394	5047	1791	561	584	839	18936	15944	54817

a 6 Chinese. * China Famine Fund, $108. † Arrears of Salary, $300. ‡ And Parsonage. ⅔ 75 in Wheeler mission at Connellsville.

‖ 1 Adult. † 2 Adults. c Pastor resigned June 1st.

SUMMARY

PRESBYTERIES	Congregations	Ministers	Elders	Deacons	Increase in Membership	Decrease in Membership	Communicants	Baptisms	Sabbath School Attend'ce	Young People's Society Attendance	CONTRIBUTIONS														
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Colorado	4	9	14	18	23	15	256	11	298	75	$ 464	$ 342	$ 30	$ 51	$ 42	$ 11	$ 12	$ 226	$ 48	$ 22	$ 3	$ 6	$3857	$ 2242	$ 7356
Illinois	8	9	36	39	16	48	656	16	677	138	717	706	446	198	237	91	71	143	155	163	38	43	4421	5293	12722
Iowa	9	11	39	33	55	19	692	20	590	96	2028	1139	722	689	594	199	132	148	561	213	71	544	6747	7287	21074
Kansas	18	22	85	71	144	117	1681	75	1625	322	2178	2449	1402	915	708	352	335	4128	773	861	112	177	13951	11241	39582
New York	16	19	66	59	72	218	1303	42	1073	188	2254	1524	623	562	390	160	158	1930	571	240	64	113	15497	12131	36217
New Brunswick & Nova Scotia	3	2	4	---	1	6	103	---	45	10	88	50	90	15	15	---	---	---	10	2	3	4	4	900	1054	2235
Ohio	12	12	50	28	23	54	701	11	603	162	843	684	352	222	182	82	83	57	511	138	48	60	5825	3500	12587
Pacific Coast	6	9	22	25	53	26	381	14	458	113	587	523	339	138	125	81	75	97	146	140	61	19	4834	4088	11253
Philadelphia	3	3	19	9	42	46	502	13	407	112	1475	3044	2578	199	206	74	89	134	759	80	53	50	3800	10462	23003
Pittsburg	26	42	105	64	64	129	1948	43	2007	389	2658	2399	2294	1490	1506	374	394	5047	1791	561	584	839	18936	15944	54817
Rochester	5	5	20	17	4	11	282	9	206	65	551	368	268	113	111	57	61	62	33	92	30	32	3502	2221	7501
Mission in Syria	---	---	---	---	---	---	313	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---
Mission in China	---	---	---	---	---	---	197	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---
No. Presbyteries, 11 Totals	110	143	460	363	497	689	9015	254	7989	1670	13843	13228	9144	4592	4116	1481	1420	11972	5350	2513	1068	1887	82270	75463	228347

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